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THE FIELD OF POLITICS.

INDICATIONS OF A TRUCE IN THE OHIO MUDDLE.

MUCH INTEREST IN KENTUCKY BATTLE.

Forecast of the Norfolk General Conference of the A. M. E. Connection—Next Meeting of National Medical Association.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 23.—Politics at the nation's capital for the past ten days has partaken in almost even measure of the dramatic and the intensely practical. Senator Foraker made a great speech last week on the Brownsville incident, and paid a happy tribute to the unfailing loyalty of the colored soldiers in the wars of the Republic, and testified heartily to the economic and moral value of the Negro citizen. The demonstration following the address was enthusiastic to the last degree, and the Ohio Senator was warmly congratulated by his colleagues, regardless of faction or party, Senator Warner, representing the Roosevelt attitude, being among the first to give him a cardial handshake. On Tuesday of this week Senator Warner presented in able fashion the argument in support of his own measure, which, while differing slightly from the Foraker amendment, leaves the final decision as to re-enlistment with the President. It is well known that the administration is more than favorably disposed toward the innocent members of the battalion, and the method preferred by the President to rehabilitate their status in the army appears to him more likely to redound to the discipline and esprit du corps of the military establishment. Since the result is to be practically the same, and the welfare of the discharged men is the primary consideration, those who are influenced more by the plan which offers the speediest returns than by emotionalism—while thanking Senator Foraker none the less for the noble spirit manifested by him throughout the long contest, seem to lean to the support of Senator Warner's proposition. This letter is being mailed before sentiment has been sufficiently crystallized to justify a prediction as to the fate of either in the final vote of the Senate. The Republicans naturally desire a settlement of the vexed situation that will enable the party to hold the colored vote intact, and differ only as to the method of subserving the ends of justice—and, incidentally, as to who shall have the credit of handing out the "square deal."

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Indications are constantly coming to the surface looking toward a truce in the Ohio battle. There is no evidence that Secretary Taft or Senator Foraker are themselves making any overtures toward a peace pact, but it is well known that the candidates for Congress and for the state and county offices are not anxious to go into the campaign with the party sores unhealed, even if the form of a victory is registered in their favor during these preliminary skirmishes for delegates and local nominations. The wish for harmony is likewise said to be apparent among the colored cohorts, for their sucess or failure must ultimately depend upon the outcome of the forces with which they are identified. The Negroes who are not seeking harmony are those who thrive upon turmoil and strife, and have no concern about the party's welfare, preferring to keep up a death-dealing warfare, if by this course, they can pick up a few extra pennies. The latest exhibition of this type of assinity was made a few days ago by one Walter S. Thomas, of Columbus, who is reputed to earn a precarious livelihood by washing dirty political linen when no one else can be found willing to stultify their manhood by essaying the task. In a letter to Congressman Rainey, of Illinois, Thomas made the surprising statement that if Secretary Taft is nominated 95 per cent. of the Negro voters would either vote the straight Democratic ticket or remain away from the polls and thus insure the election of the Democratic candidate. Such an extreme and illogical utterance, so at variance with the facts, has disgusted the Negro press and Negro leaders generally from ocean to ocean that this week's papers are filled with contradictions of Thomas' letter, flatly discrediting him, both as a man and as a political prophet. Those who were too religious to "cuss him out" as a falsifier, contented themselves with the suggestion that he be prayed for as one lost to sanity. No more attention will be paid to Thomas, and reference is made here solely to point out that extravagant denunciation of Secretary Taft is no longer popular, and those who indulge in it are likely to find themselves silenced by the sagacious leaders of the cause they are clumsily trying to promote.

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In line with the possible reconciliation of the factions in Ohio, a colored man of recognized power in the Buckeye State, calls our attention to the moderate tone of eSnator Foraker's Brownsville speech, the friendly intercourse that is being more and more noticeable between the followers of the Senator and the captains of the administration forces, and by the respectful exchange of courtesies between the colored adherents of the two camps. Said our observing informant:

"If you will take the pains to notice it, the rabid fellows who have been charging the colored office-holders with being 'administration hirelings,' 'trucklers,' 'sycophants,' and the like, have been called off, and theer is feeling all along the line that we Negroes cannot afford to fall out over a matter that ought to be met in a spirit of breadth and amity, such as would grow out of a decent respect for honest differences of opinion, and lead to an effort to bring about a common ground for race advantage, rather than to accentuate discords that are bound to be harmful to all concerned. The white followers and managers of the Roosevelt-Taft combine and those of the Foraker-Fairbanks-Cannon 'allies' are breaking bread together daily, comparing notes and discussing plans for offense and defense, without malice or rhetorical violence. The more sensible colored leaders of the opposing camps are doing the same, and the race will reap good from such a liberal course in the long run, for it means that as soon as the underbrush is cleared away, we are going to get together on some working basis.

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"You will also notice," continued our loquacious friend, "that the Ohio State Convention, contrary to its usual custom, refrained from making a nomination for the Senate. Certain long-headed folks saw in advance the very possibility I am now speaking of—that there would eventually come a stage of the game when the rival elements would have to be brought together. It would not be a bad idea for an arrangement to be made—and made at once—whereby Senator Foraker can be returned unopposed to the Upper House, which he adorns, giving Secretary Taft a solid State delegation to Chicago for President. This would please everybody entitled to have their pleasure considered. The Republicans of every faction would be united, our progressive administration would be sustained, party success in November would be assured, and all would be 'as merry as a marriage bell.'"

It is not without the range of probability that this desirable consummation will yet be brought about, for the day of crimination and recrimination is rapidly passing, and an "era of good feeling" is being made more manifest as the Chicago convention approaches. The editorial utterances of ninety per cent. of the better grade of Negro papers have condemned the ill-tempered Philadelphia Conference, and administration and anti-administration Republicans regard the attempt to Bryanize the delegates as a most unfortunate political blunder. The Democratic managers simply overreached themselves in their eagerness to play upon the emotions and gullibility of the race, and got the worst of it. A healthful reaction has set in, and with a clearing atmosphere on the two or three disputed questions, we may reasonably hope for a satisfactory adjustment of all difficulties within the fewest of days.

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Not long ago we gave a long list of colored papers that showed themselves above the prejudice that had been manifested in some quarters with reference to the administration and the candidacy of Secretary Taft. We do not receive all of the race papers, but enough come to us from the various sections to give a pretty accurate idea of the trend of sentiment as to men and measures. As an evidence that there is nothing in the assertions of the hot-headed agitators who declare that the Negro masses will "bolt" the Republican ticket in the event of Mr. Taft's nomination, we here give a partial summary of the race journals that are either aggressively supporting the War Secretary or that have pledged themselves to stand by the nominee of the Chicago convention, whoever he may be:

The New York Age, New York.
The Advocate, Charleston, W. Va.
Fair Play, Parkersburg, W. Va.
The Star, Newport News, Va.
Mosaic Guide, Little Rock, Ark.
Plaindealer, Topeka, Kans.
Rising Son, Kansas City, Mo.
Conservator, Chicago, Ill.
American Citizen, Atlanta, Ga.
Journal, Cleveland, O.
The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.
Florida Sentinel, Pensacola.
The Echo, Long Branch, N. J.
Weekly Press, Mobile, Ala.
Texas Freeman, Houston, Tex.
Enterprise, Omaha, Neb.
Western Enterprise, Colorado Springs, Colo.
Tribune, Savannah, Ga.
Argus, Cincinnati, O.

There are others, but these standard race papers are sufficient to prove the case we have undertaken to make out.

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May 16 is the last day upon which delegates to the Chicago convention can be elected, and the credentials of all delegates and alternates must be forwarded to the office of the secretary of the National committee at Washington before C. Hall, H. S. McCard, Amanda V. Gray May 27. Within the next three weeks, therefore, some fast work must be done. The total number of delegates thus far elected is 546. Of these, 278 are claimed for Secretary Taft, 254 of the total being uncontested. Out of 61 uninstructed delegates, the Taft managers lay claim to at least 53. The summary of delegates allotted to the "allies" is given as follows: For Fairbanks, 30; Cannon, 46; Hughes, 42; LaFollette, 25; Knox, 64; total, 207. With each weekly statement the Taft total has been steadily increasing, and the managers see no reason for relinquishing their belief that the War Secretary will be nominated on the first ballot. If the tide toward Taft is maintained at the present rate, his success will be so safely assured within a fortnight that the Chicago convention will simply take on the form of a ratification meeting.

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The contest in Kentucky this week will not lack for interest. Both races are in the swim up to their necks, and the bout between the friends of Secretary Taft and Vice President Fairbanks will be spirited in the extreme; yet there will be no bitterness when the result becomes known, as the vanquished will cheerfully abide by the arbitrament of the primaries. It is pretty generally understood that a colored man will be chosen as one of the delegates at large, and the field from which he is to be selected is unusually rich in material this year. Among the candidates, avowed and receptive, are Rev. J. E. Wood, editor of The Torchlight, Danville; R. T. Berry, editor of the Kentucky Reporter, Owensboro; N. A. Magowan, editor of The Reporter, Mt. Sterling; W. D. Johnson, editor of The Standard, Lexington; Dr. E. W. Lane, of Maysville; W. J. Gaines, Grand Master of the U. B. of F., Covington; W. H. Steward, editor of the American Baptist, Louisville, and perhaps Dr. E. E. Underwood, of Frankfort. Alexander Morris, one of Kentucky's oldest and most influential citizens, is an ardent Taft follower, as are also Messrs. Gaines, Johnson and Brown. The Fairbanks forces are being ably led by Miss Julia Sohmers Young, editor of the Kentucky Standard, Louisville, and by Messrs. Berry and Wood.

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Bishop J. W. Smith, who resides here, is in charge of the Sixth Episcopal district, by arrangement with Bishop Clinton.

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Rev. J. H. Welch has been returned to the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church by the Baltimore Conference. The next session of the Conference will be held in Cambridge, Md.

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The "Mu-So-Lit," Washington's most famous literary, musical and social organization for men, has elected Messrs. W. H. Clifford, R. W. Thompson, Arthur C. Newman, Walter J. Singleton and J. William Mayes to membership. The number is limited to sixty, and new members can be admitted only when vacancies occur.

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Of the more than 185,844 people in the employ of Uncle Sam, exclusive of postmasters, and their clerks and mechanics, 8,352 are Negroes.

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At the recent confirmations held by St. Luke's and St. Mary's P. E. Churches thirty-five candidates were confirmed in each parish, Bishop Gravatte, of West Virginia, officiating at the former, and Bishop Williams, of Michigan, at the latter.

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The death of Mr. S. W. Starks, at Charleston, W. Va., leaves a vacancy in the office of State Librarian, a position of dignity and responsibility. A strong movement is said to be on foot to have Governor Dawson name Mr. J. C. Gilmer for the place. Mr. Gilmer is a clean man, possessing ample experience and large executive ability, as evidenced by his capable management of the Charleston Advocate and in the direction of many trusts in connection with the schools and fraternities of his State. He is widely known and his appointment would give pleasure to the rank and file of the Republicans throughout the length and breadth of West Virginia.

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The A. M. E. and A. M. E. Zion Churches are getting ready for the general conferences of their connections, both of them to begin on Monday, May 6. The A. M. E.'s meet at Norfolk, and the Zionites go to Philadelphia. The former will probably elect four bishops for the home work and one for Africa, while the latter has practically decided to elect three, to fill the vacancies caused by death during the quadrennium, with a possibility of sending one man to Africa. The conferences will be in session about three weeks, and many reforms in church administration will be undertaken.

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St. Mary's Protestant Episcola Church rendered Sir John Stainer's oratorio, "The Crucifixion," in magnificent style, last Friday evening. The augmented choir of one hundred voices was directed by Mr. Ernest Amos, who also carried the bass solos and recitatives with excellent effect. The tenor roles were well rendered by Mr. George Henry Murray. Miss Emma J. Murray presided at the organ. The occasion was made especially notable by the presence of Miss Ethel Roosevelt, daughter of President Roosevelt, who is a teacher in St. Mary's Sabbath School. Vicar-Rector O. L. Mitchell was assisted during the evening by Rector Roland Cotton Smith, of St. John's, of which stately church St. Mary's is a mission.

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The executive committee of the National Medical Association is getting things in shape to make the next meeting the best that has yet been held. One of the most prominent features of the New York session in August will be the report of the committee on education and the adoption of plans looking to the improvement of Negro medical schools. The committee appointed to report on this work is composed of Dr. H. F. Gamble, of Charleston, W. Va., who is chairman of the executive board; Dr. John E. Hunter, of Lexington, Ky., and Dr. J. Q. McDougall, of Philadelphia. The success and magnitude of the Medical Association is due in large measure to Dr. John A. Kenney, of Tuskegee Institute, the energetic secretary, assisted by Drs. W. H. Wright, the president; Drs. H. F. Gamble, Charles Roberts, A. Wilberforce Williams, A. M. Curtis, Geo. and others. Dr. P. A. Johnson, of New York, chairman of the local committee on next meeting, is very prominently mentioned in connection with the next presidency.

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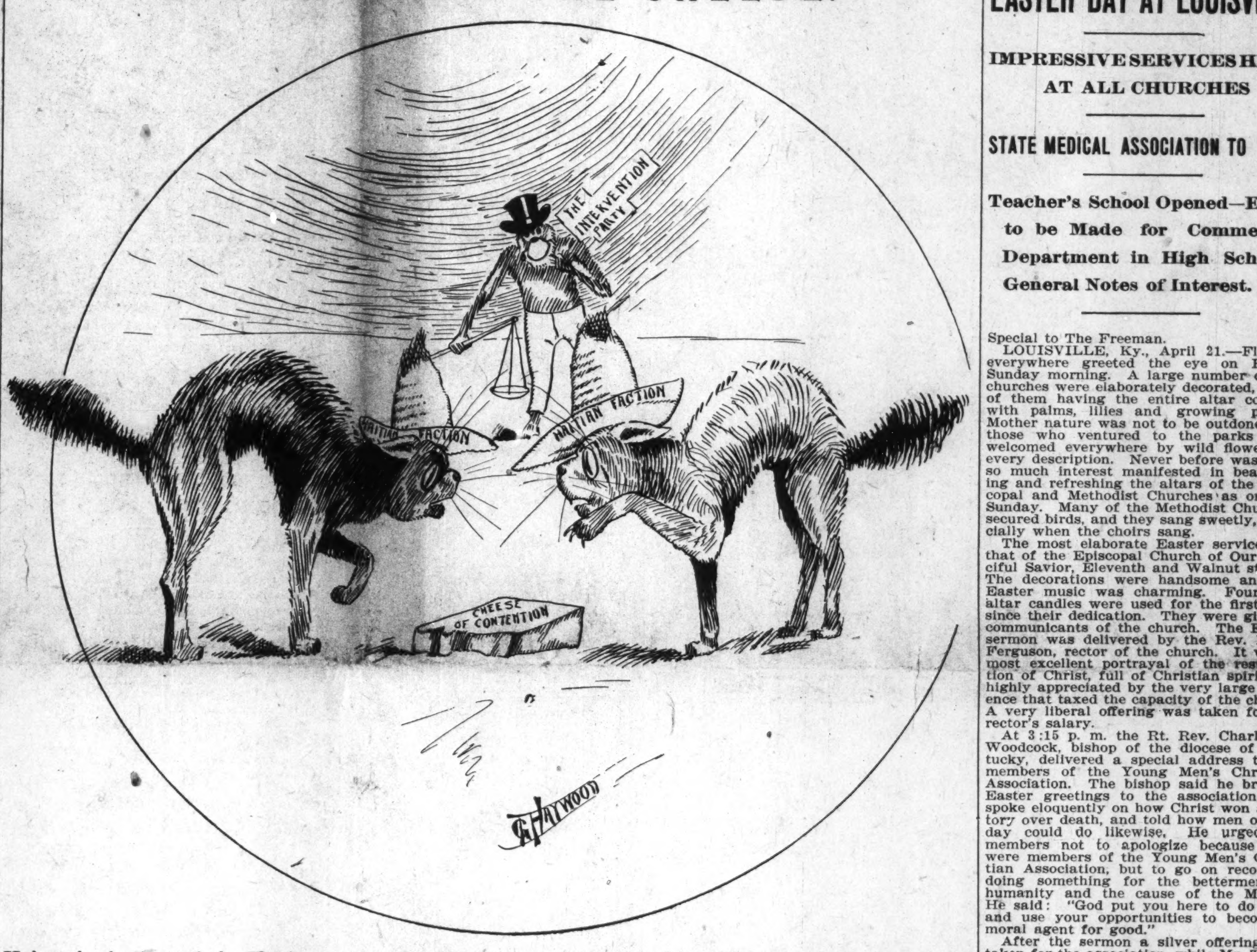
It is more than likely that the Norfolk General Conference of the A. M. E. Church will create the office of supervising architect. The necessity for such an officer is generally agreed upon throughout the connection by bishops, general officers, pastors and laymen almost without exception, and especially by those who have studied the Christian art through ancient, medieval and modern history. They realize that a building of worship should not only be substantial in construction and well arranged for the convenience of large assemblies, but it should be of a churchly design in and out, so that when one approaches or enters it, they will know at a glance that it is a temple fitted and ordained for the worship of God. Thousands of dollars are unnecessarily spent yearly in our rural districts and smaller towns, and many of our cities and thriving communities have unsightly and poorly arranged churches. Thousands are also spent yearly with white architects and builders which are lost to our race. When a white architect or builder designs or erects a church edifice for a Negro congregation, it is very seldom that Negro workmen receive anything from this work. The Negroes of this country, and especially of the A. M. E. Church, have reached a point where they must and will support, uphold and appreciate talent and ability among themselves. A good example of this was when Dr. C. W. Mossell, pastor of St. John's A. M. E. Church, Norfolk, Va., employed J. A. Lankford & Bro., one of Methodism's most progressive forces, to design and supervise the building of the new parsonage and the overhauling and decorating of the church where the General Conference is to be held in May. It has been said by Bishop Gaines and many of his fellow-churchmen who have visited the new parsonage and noticed other work, that this parsonage is of purely classical design and the best and most beautiful structure of the kind owned by the connection. Mr. Lankford designed and supervised the work and worked all Negro mechanics and workmen and labor on this job, and it is said that his firm has built more halls and public buildings than any similar concern in the country.

Mr. Lankford's friends in the church are pushing him vigorously for the post of supervising architect, knowing his qualifications as a master of his profession, and recognizing the fact that through his painstaking labors the connection can save thousands of dollars every year in its extensive building operations, besides securing a better grade of buildings for its worship. The surplus thus saved will help some of the weaker departments very materially. As we understand it, the position, while in its experimental stage, will carry no salary, and there is no doubt that a very substantial return can be brought to the connection by having a supervising architect who is a pioneer in the business, knows its possibilities from the ground up, and who is withal a man of common sense, sound judgment and broad generosity. Mr. Lankford has more degrees than any Negro of his age in the country, having been honored with the degree of M. S. by Methodism's great schools, Wilberforce University and Morris Brown College, and the degree of B. S. by Shaw University and Lincoln Institute. In May he is to receive the degree of Master Mechanic (M. M.) at the hands of the A. and M. College of Normal, Ala., of which Dr. W. H. Councill is president. The A. M. E. Church cannot do better than to elect Mr. Lankford as its supervising architect next month and take a step in advance of all other religious organizations in the land. As is well known, he is the favorite grandson of the grand old churchman, Bishop Henry McNeil Turner, and was born and reared under the most favorable religious auspices.

THE CATS AND THE CHEESE.



Unless the factions of the Haitian government come to an agreement, they will soon find their subject of contention in the hands of an intervention party.

Jacksonville, Ill.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Clara Edwards has been moved to her home from the Passarant hospital. ...Miss Anna Early, who has been quite ill is slowly improving from her illness. ...Hattie Harlston, of Walcot Street, was indisposed last week....Mrs. Fanny Jordan is now living on S. Mauraisterre street....Osa Wallace has a position at Herman's millinery store....Rev. Henderson, of Chicago, is now pastor of the Bethel A. M. E. church, and is a very able pastor. He comes to this city with well recommedation....April 15 was the last night of the Mallory Bros. dancing school, which closed for the season. Prizes were awarded to Miss Catherine Coleman and Mr. Walter Patterson. Guy Washington and Mrs. G. B. Young were awarded the second prize for the Detriot Waltz. The Merry Widow Waltz, which consisted of the first prize was won by Miss Katherine Coleman and Walter Patterson...... Quite a number of young people were down Easter from Bloomington, Ill., Peoria, Springfield and Jerseyville....Rev. C. Elias Winston the lecturer, reader and story teller, recited several poems at the Mt. Emery Baptist Church, April 13. His readings are very interesting. He also gave several selections at the High School Tuesday morning, which was greatly enjoyed by all the pupils. Mr. Winston is the founder and principal of the Christian Industrial and Business Institute recently established in Chicago for the purpose of betering the moral, intellectual and industrial condition of the colored youths of that great city....Rev. A. J. Cromwell preached an able sermon at Co. L. hall April 12, before a good audience....Mrs. James Redding is on the sick list....Mr. Samuel Crutchfield has a fine parrot which he bought in Iowa.... Celia Bryant, formerly of this city, who lived on S. Lurton street, died recently at her home in Indianapolis....Mrs. Clara Edwards, of S. Sandy street, Miss Blanch Mallory, of Ashland Avenue, W. N. Scales, Mrs. Samuel Rhodes, Walter Woodson, Julia Berry, Irene Campbell, are improving from their recent illness.

LOCKLAND, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. Samuel Cole and Miss Dora Hunt were married April 16 at Glendale, O. Rev. Orr, of Cincinnati, officiated.... Gray's Band gave a band concert at Zion Baptist Church, April 18....The Baptists baptized nineteen persons on Sunday. A rally was also held and $136 was raised. ....Jackson and Richmond's new musical creation, entitled "Governor of Dixie," was played at Cammack's Hall, April 20-21.

EASTER DAY AT LOUISVILLE

IMPRESSIVE SERVICES HELD AT ALL CHURCHES

STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION TO MEET

Teacher's School Opened—Effort to be Made for Commercial Department in High School—General Notes of Interest.

Special to The Freeman.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 21.—Flowers everywhere greeted the eye on Easter Sunday morning. A large number of the churches were elaborately decorated, many of them having the entire altar covered with palms, lilies and growing plants. Mother nature was not to be outdone, and those who ventured to the parks were welcomed everywhere by wild flowers of every description. Never before was there so much interest manifested in beautifying and refreshing the altars of the Episcopal and Methodist Churches as on last Sunday. Many of the Methodist Churches secured birds, and they sang sweetly, especially when the choirs sang.

The most elaborate Easter service was that of the Episcopal Church of Our Merciful Savior, Eleventh and Walnut streets. The decorations were handsome and the Easter music was charming. Four new altar candles were used for the first time since their dedication. They were gifts of communicants of the church. The Easter sermon was delivered by the Rev. Leroy Ferguson, rector of the church. It was a most excellent portrayal of the resurrection of Christ, full of Christian spirit and highly appreciated by the very large audience that taxed the capacity of the church. A very liberal offering was taken for the rector's salary.

At 3:15 p. m. the Rt. Rev. Charles E. Woodcock, bishop of the diocese of Kentucky, delivered a special address to the members of the Young Men's Christian Association. The bishop said he brought Easter greetings to the association, and spoke eloquently on how Christ won a victory over death, and told how men of this day could do likewise. He urged the members not to apologize because they were members of the Young Men's Christian Association, but to go on record as doing something for the betterment of humanity and the cause of the Master. He said: "God put you here to do right and use your opportunities to become a moral agent for good."

After the sermon a silver offering was taken for the association, while Mr. Taylor Dehiel sang a sacred solo. At 4 p. m. "The Daughter of Jairus," which was sung Friday night, was repeated.

The annual Easter services of the Masons were held at Green Street Baptist Church, under the auspices of the Palestine Commandery No. 1, the oldest commandery in the State. Three other uniform bodies of Knights Templar attended the services in a body, and a number of Eastern Star members were present. The Rev. D. A. Gaddie, pastor of the church, spoke on the "Resurrection of Christ." A fine program was given, and the choir, under the direction of Mr. A. J. Lee, sang special Easter music.

The Quinn Chapel, A. M. E. Church, corner Ninth and Walnut streets, held special Easter services. The Rev. J. C. Anderson delivered a very fine sermon on "Easter," and the vested choir, under the direction of Miss Leucretia Gibson, sang appropriate music. At night there was a sacred musical concert, and Prof. J. E. Simpson, Miss Lydia Branch, Mrs. W. P. Welch and Mr. E. Smith Jones took part in the program.

At the Knox Presbyterian Church, of which the Rev. C. B. Allen is pastor, the Rev. J. S. Lyons was the principal speaker. The church was beautified and decorated, and there was the largest audience present seen in years.

The Rev. R. S. Rives, pastor of the Thirteenth and Broadway Street A. M. E. Zion Church, delivered a specially prepared sermon. In keeping with the occasion, the church was decorated and the choir sang special music.

The Congregational Church, of which the Rev. E. G. Harris is pastor, Green Street Christian Church, of which the Rev. Robinson is pastor, and all the Methodist Churches of the city held exceedingly impressive services on Easter.

Merry Widow hats were everywhere in evidence, and the swish of skirts and the dazzle of gala-colored attire reminded one forcibly that Easter was at hand. The day in Louisville was never more fittingly celebrated. Lent is over, and joy and gladness will now, it is hoped, fill the hearts of all.

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Before one of the largest crowds of the season the Giants went down in defeat. The Reserves had all of the Louisville League players. The Giants had the game won until the seventh inning. The feature players of the game were Lalla, first base, and Jessie Briscoe, left field.

Score by innings:

Reserves	1	0	0	1	0	0	6	0	0
Giants, Lou	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0

Summary:

Batteries—Griffin and Coleman; Lagnauer and Vetter.

Two-base Hits—Runkle, Gradler, Flannery, Bates, Coleman.

Stolen Bases—Briscoe, Lalla, Watson, Wallace, Gradler.

Double Play—Watson to Bates to Lalla.

Struck Out—By Griffin, 6; by Lagnauer, 8.

Bases on Balls—Off Griffin, 4; off Lagnauer, 3.

Umpires—Mutter and Fisher.

Attendance—6,000.

The Louisville Giants and White Sox, of Indianapolis, play next Sunday at Spring Bank Park, 27 Greenwood.

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The indications are very bright for the State Medical Association, which is to meet here May 13 and 14, and it promises to be the most successful in the history of the association. Nearly every leading doctor in the State has promised to be present, and the attendance is expected to be very large. A brilliant program is be-

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Candidate for Bishop of the A. M. E. Church.

REV. JOSHUA H. JONES, D. D., LL. D.,
President of Wilberforce University.

We, the undersigned delegates of the Ohio Conference, the North Ohio Conference, the Pittsburg Conference, the Kentucky Conference, the West Kentucky Conference, the Bermuda Conference, and the New York Conference, send greetings. In obedience, as we believe, to the voice of God, the best good of the A. M. E. Connection, the best good of the Negro race in America, the cause of education and the cause of the church militant, we humbly beg to set before you the cause of our colleague and yoke-fellow, Rev. Joshua H. Jones, D.D., LL.D., an humble servant of the church whom we believe to be a fit man for the responsible office of Chief Superintendent or Bishop of our church. We predicate this belief upon an intimate acquaintance and the personal contact which we have had with Brother Jones extending over twenty years. Morally, religiously, educationally, intellectually, physically and socially, Dr. Joshua H. Jones is one of the ablest members of our race. The great interests of mankind have no greater and truer defender upon the American stage today; our church and race need him in its leadership. We ask you to join us and his many admirers throughout the Connection in elevating this man to our chief pastorate. We know that Dr. Jones is able to represent our race and church in all the councils of men and do credit to the entire race on all occasions. We want men at the head of our Connection of whom the bets of us will not be ashamed in the hours of sore need; when the race and the church are to be defended and when truth is to have a hearing, and error and falsehood are to be exposed. Our fathers hitherto have done well, but the incoming captains of our ship of church must be men of pre-eminent virtue, exceptional excellence, uncompromising character and great managing ability. We present to you such a man in the Rev. Joshua H. Jones, D.D., LL.D., the president of Wilberforce University. This man was born and reared in the cotton and rice fields of South Carolina, has served through all the lines of church work from the backwods mission at the country cross-roads of South Carolina to the best pulpits of the State, thence to the best pulpits of the North and South, passing through and graduating from three universities and climbing to the great heights of the presidency of Wilberforce University, walking in the footsteps and filling in this modern day an exalted position as president of Wilberforce University, which was once held by Bishop Daniel A. Payne, Bishop B. F. Lee, Dr. S. T. Mitchell, respectively. This exalted position Dr. Jones has filled for eight years and has brought the university through some of the most trying experiences. This is the man we offer to you and whom we feel we are in honor bound to support. Will you help us?

Early History.

Dr. Joshua H. Jones was born in Lexington County, South Carolina, June 15, 1856. He was converted at the early age of ten years and immediately joined the Shady Grove A. M. E. Church of the Bull Swamp Circuit, Columbia Annual Conference, South Carolina, and has been an ardent member of the A. M. E. Church from that day until now without a single change. At the age of fourteen years he was made Sunday School teacher and at the age of sixteen years he was made superintendent. By the time he was eighteen years old he had served in all of the local spiritual and temporal offices of his church and was then licensed as a local preacher. The pastors soon discovered his usefulness and aid to them. He was a hard student, carrying his studies into the late hours of the night by pine-torchlight. He acquired education very rapidly. He was a child of marked ability from the start.

His Education.

At the age of twenty-one years, he entered the Normal and College Preparatory Course of Claflin University, Orangeburg, South Carolina, finishing the course in 1880. He then went out to teach and preach one year, returning to Claflin he entered the college course in 1881, graduating with the degree "B. A." in 1885. Not daunted or yet satisfied with his attainments, he entered Howard University, Washington, D. C., where he studied under Drs. Patton, Craighead, Butler, Newman and Pitzer. From this great seat of learning he went to Wilberforce University, where he studied under Drs. T. H. Jackson and S. T. Mitchell and graduated in 1887, receiving the degree "B. D." He was at all times an ardent student, and after leaving the university walls he prosecuted his studies and became a man of broad scholarship. He served eight years on the school board of Columbus, Ohio, where he acquired a large experience in school management. In 1900 he was elected president of Wilberforce University, where he has served our race and church with commendable zeal and great accomplishment, conferring honor upon himself, his race and his church.

Ministerial Service.

Rev. J. H. Jones has served all grades of churches from the country missions, circuits and stations of South Carolina to the metropolitan churches of the great cities of the North. He has spent thirty-four years in the active ministry and forty-two years a communicant in the A. M. E. Church, in all of which years he has never faltered nor wavered; he has brought no reproach, shame or failure to our Connection nor to any community where he has lived and labored; his labors have been indefatiguable, his administrations clean and inspiring. He is today in the closest sympathy with his brethren, both ministerial and aly. He knows what it is to suffer and therefore how to sympathize. He is a man of long suffering and great patience.

Family.

Doctor Jones is a thorough believer in he sanctity of the family life and in the purity of a well-ordered home. His first wife was Miss Elizabeth Martin of Cedar Creek, Lexington County, South Carolina. His second marriage was to Miss Gussie E. Clarke of Wilberforce, Ohio, a step-daughter of Bishop D. A. Payne. His second wife still lives to grace his home and to him and her were born two children, but unhappily both have died. To him and his first wife four children were born, all of whom still live; all of them are highly educated, being graduates of the Columbus, Ohio, high school before entering college. His eldest son, Joshua Henry Jones Jr., graduated from Brown University with the degree "B. A." and took special courses at the Ohio State University and Yale University and is now a journalist of high type, serving on the staff of one of the great dailies of Massachusetts, known as the Worcester Post; his second son, Gilbert Henry Jones, graduated from Wilberforce University twice, having conferred upon him the degrees "B. A." and "B. S." respectively. He also graduated twice from Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., having conferred upon him the degrees "Ph. B." and "M. A." and is now taking a post-graduate course for the Doctorate in Philosophy in the University of Jena—the famous university of Northern Germany and of the German Empire; his third son, Alexander Henry Jones, graduated from Wilberforce University with the degree "B. A." and is now principal of the colored high school of Metropolis, Ill. His daughter, Elizabeth Prudence, graduated from the Columbus Normal School and is now married to one of our ministers, the Rev. W. P. Q. Byrd, pastor of the A. M. E. Church, Lansing, Mich.

Such in brief is a historical sketch of the life of the man whom we ask to be made one of the bishops of our great church. We believe that his election will prove a blessing to the church, the race and humanity, and would be pleasing to Almighty God. Amen.

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WILLIAMSPORT, PA.

On Thursday evening, April 9th, Mrs. Blanche Colson gave a beautiful party to her Sunday school class, consisting of Misses Maude Scott, Brille Johnson, Kate Bryan, Harriett Johns, Florence Grosse, Ruby Mitchell and Florence Johnson, at which time recitations, games, character sketches and other amusing "stunts" made up the most enjoyable program and this was followed by a delightful luncheon. Mesdames Rebecca Jackson and Iva O'Brien assisted Mrs. Colson in "doing the honors."... Charles E. Harris has been appointed to a position on the police force by the new mayor, Chas. D. Wolf, and is busy receiving congratulations from his host of friends...John W. Robinson, one of our most prominent young men, has been appointed head janitor of the City Building, a position never before held by a colored man...Joseph Jones, who was severely injured in an accident at the Updegraff Hotel a few weeks ago, is speedily recovering and will soon be able to resume his duties again... Mrs. H. Pierce Lowe, the efficient and popular teacher of the primary school here, is spending the Easter vacation at her home in Trenton, N. J...Bethel Church recently elected Mrs. Iva O'Brien as delegate to the Mite Missionary Convention to meet in New Carlisle in July, and Mrs. Marie Harris as delegate to the Sunday school convention in Altoona, in the same month. Both ladies are well qualified to represent their respective departments...Rev. P. A. Scott and Miss Bessie D. Wood attended the district conference of the A. M. E. Church in Wilkes-Barre last week...The installation of Rev. W. B. Fleming as the new pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, Sunday, April 12, was an interesting event, and the services were well attended throughout the day.

COLORED MEN APPOINTED TO OR CONTINUED IN OFFICE BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVTLT.

John R. A. Crossland, of Missouri, Minister to Liberia, January 16, 1902, vice Smith (colored).

Ernest Lyon, of Maryland, M. R. and C. G. to Liberia, March 16, 1903.

Geo. W. Ellis, of Kansas, secretary of legation to Liberia, December 10, 1902.

Henry W. Furniss, of Indiana, E. E. and M. P. to Haiti, November 23, 1905 (formerly Consul to Bahia, January 14, 1898).

John N. Ruffin, of Tennessee, Consul to Asuncion, July 26, 1897.

L. W. Livingston, of Florida, Consul to Cape Haitien, January 14, 1898.

Geo. H. Jackson, of Connecticut, Consul to La Rochelle, May 28, 1898 (formerly Consul to Cognac, July 28, 1897).

Wm. M. Hunt, of New York, Consul to St. Etienne, November 1, 1906 (formerly Vice-Consul to Tamatave, May 20, 1899; formerly Consul at Tamatave, August 23, 1901).

Herbert R. Wright, of Iowa, Consul to Utila, June 15, 1905 (formerly Consul to Puerta Plata, March 30, 1905).

James W. Johnson, of New York, Consul to Puerto Cabello, March 29, 1906.

Wm. J. Yerby, of Tennessee, Consul to Sierra Leona, June 28, 1906.

James G. Carter, of Georgia, Consul to Tamatave, November 1, 1906 (formerly Consul to Sivas, September 6, 1906).

Edmond A. Burrill, of D. C., V. and D. Consul to Puerto Cabello, August 1, 1906 (formerly messenger, Department of State).

Treasury.

Harry A. Rucker, Collector of Internal Revenue, Georgia.

John H. Deveaux, Collector of Customs, Savannah, Ga., May 15, 1902 (reappointed).

Robert Smalls, Collector of Customs, Beaufort, S. C., July 2, 1902 (reappointed).

W. D. Crum, Collector of Customs, Charleston, S. C., vice R. M. Wallace (white).

Wm. T. Vernon, of Kansas, Register of the Treasury, May 18, 1906.

Charles W. Anderson, Collector of Internal Revenue, New York, March 17, 1905.

Ralph W. Tyler, of Ohio, Auditor for Navy Department.

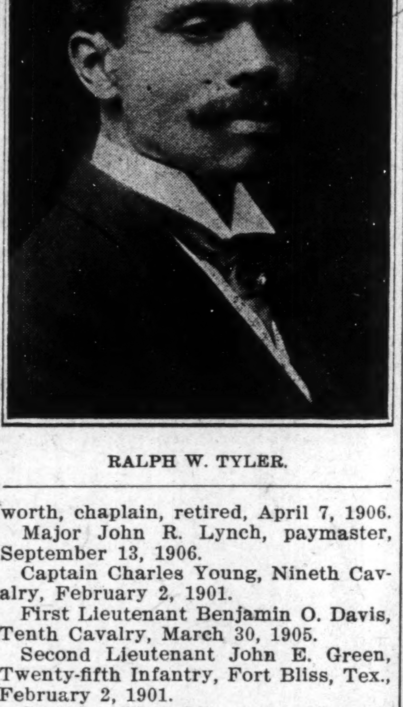
War.

Edward N. Baker Jr., first lieutenant Philippine Scouts, September 10, 1906.

David J. Gilmer, second lieutenant Philippine Scouts, March 16, 1903.

Geo. S. Thompson, second lieutenant Philippine Scouts, March 15, 1905.

Lieutenant-Colonel Allen Allensworth, chaplain, retired, April 7, 1906.



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Major John R. Lynch, paymaster, September 13, 1906.

Captain Charles Young, Nineth Cavalry, February 2, 1901.

First Lieutenant Benjamin O. Davis, Tenth Cavalry, March 30, 1905.

Second Lieutenant John E. Green, Twenty-fifth Infantry, Fort Bliss, Tex., February 2, 1901.

Captain Theophilus G. Steward, chaplain Twenty-fifth Infantry, July 20, 1891.

Captain Geo. W. Prioleau, chaplain Ninth Cavalry, April 25, 1895.

Captain Wm. T. Anderson, chaplain Tenth Cavalry, August 16, 1897, promoted to rank of major 1907.

First Lieutenant Washington W. E. Gladden, chaplain Twenty-fourth Infantry, May 21, 1906.

Oscar Jefferson Waldo Scott, chaplain, April 17, 1907.

Postoffice.

Thos. S. Harris, postmaster at Live Oak, Fla., January 19, 1903 (reappointed).

Chas. R. Jackson, postmaster at Darien, Ga., February 7, 1902 (reappointed).

L. P. Piernae, postmaster at Bay St. Louis, Miss., February 7, 1902 (reappointed).

T. L. Keys, postmaster at Ocean Springs, Miss., December 16, 1901 (reappointed).

Interior.

John C. Dancy, Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia, January 13, 1902, vice H. P. Cheatham (colored).

John E. Bush, Receiver of Public Moneys, Little Rock, Ark., January 12, 1902.

H. V. Cashin, Receiver of Public Moneys, Huntsville, Ala., January 20, 1902 (reappointed).

N. H. Alexander, Receiver of Public Moneys, Montgomery, Ala., January 16, 1902, vice J. C. Leftwick (colored).

Alex. P. Kennedy, Receiver of Public Moneys, New Orleans, La., December 2, 1902, vice C. J. Johnson (white).

Isaiah T. Montgomery, Receiver of Public Moneys, Jackson, Miss., January 31, 1902, vice George E. Matthews (white).

Thomas V. McAllister, Receiver of Public Moneys, Jackson, Miss., December 7, 1903, vice Montgomery, resigned).

Justice.

W. H. Lewis, Assistant United States Attorney, Boston, Mass., January 26, 1903.

James A. Cobb, Assistant United States Attorney, Washington, D. C.

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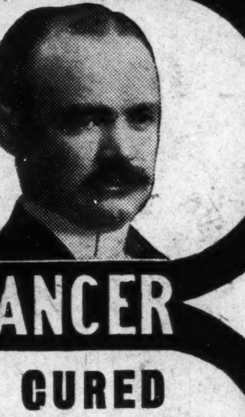

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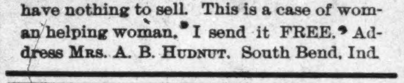

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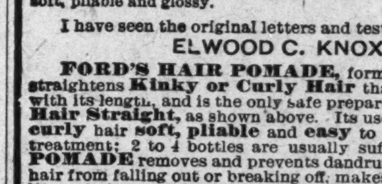

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He lay there pondering several methods of imparting the sad but necessary information to Quarrier. One thing was certain—there was not now time enough before the house party dissolved to mold Plank into acquiescent obedience. That must be finished in town unless Plank invited him to stay at the Fells after his time was up at Shotover. By heaven, that was the idea! And there'd be a chance for him at cards. Only, of course, Plank would ask Leila too. But what did he care? He was no longer afraid of her. He'd soon be independent of her and her pittance.

And so, immersed in the details of his dirty little drama, he pondered over the possibility of an ulterior gentleman as he moved heavily to and fro, dressing himself, his neuralgia being much better, and presently descended the stairs to find everybody absent, engaged, as a servant explained, in a game of water basket ball in the swimming pool. So he strolled off toward the north wing of the house, which had been built for the squash courts and swimming pool.

The Page boys and Rena and Eileen, on one side, were playing the last match game against Sylvia, Marion Page, Siward and Ferrall on the other. The big, slipping, glistening ball was flying about through storms of spray. Marion caught it, but her brother Gordon got it away. Then Ferrall secured it and dived toward the red goal, but Rena Bonnesdel caught him under water; the ball bobbed up, and Sylvia flung both arms around it with a little warning shout and hurled it back at Siward, who shot forward like an arrow, his opponents gathering about him in full cry amid laughter and excited applause from the gallery, where Grace Ferrall and Captain Voucher were wildly offering odds on the blue and Alderdene and Major Belwether were thriftily booking them.

Mortimer climbed the slippery marble stairway as fast as his lack of breath permitted, anxious for his share of the harvest if the odds were right. He managed to make several apparently desirable wagers with Kathryn Tassel and one with Beverly Plank, who was also obstinately backing the blues, the losing side. Sylvia played forward for the blues.

Suddenly through the confused blur of foam and spray the big, glistening ball shot aloft and remained.

"Blue! Blue!" exclaimed Grace Ferrall, clapping her hands, and a little whirlwind of cries and hand clapping echoed from the gallery as the breathless swimmers came climbing out of the pool with scarcely wind enough left for a word or strength for a gesture toward the laughing crowd above.

Mortimer, disgusted, turned away, already casting about him for somebody to play cards with, it being his temperament and his temper to throw good money after bad. But Quarrier and Miss Caithness had already returned to the squash courts, the majority of the swimmers to their several dressing rooms and Grace Ferrall's party, equipped for motoring, to the lawn, where they lost little time in disappearing into the golden haze which a sudden shift of wind had spun out of the cloudless afternoon's sunshine.

However he got Marion and also, as usual, the two men who had made a practice of taking away his money, Major Belwether and Lord Alderdene. He hadn't particularly wanted them. He wanted somebody he could play with, like Siward, for example, or even the two ten dollar Pages. Not that their combined twenty would do him much good, but it would at least permit him the pleasures of the card table without personal loss.

But the Pages had retired to dress, and Voucher was for motoring, and he had no use for his wife, and he was afraid of Plank's game, and Siward, seated on the edge of the pool and sharing a pint of ginger ale with Sylvia Landis, shook his head at the suggestion and resumed his division of the ginger ale.

Plank and Leila Mortimer came down to congratulate them. Sylvia, always instinctively and particularly nice to people of Plank's sort whom she occasionally encountered, was so faultlessly amiable, that Plank, who had never before permitted himself the privilege of monopolizing her, found himself doing it so easily that it kept him in a state of persistent mental intoxication.

Siward, inclined to be amused by the duration of the trance into which Plank had fallen, watched the progress of that bulky young man's infatuation as he sat there on the pool's marble edge, exchanging trivial views on trivial subjects with Mrs. Leroy Mortimer.

Once in their history, during her early married life, Siward had been very sentimental about her, but neither he nor she had approached the danger line closer than to make daring eyes at one another across the frontiers of good taste. And their youthful enchantment had faded so naturally, so pleasantly, that always there had remained to them both an agreeable after taste—a sort of gay understanding which almost invariably led to mutual banter when they encountered. But now something appeared to be lacking in their rather listless badinage—something of the usual flavor which once had salted even a laughing silence with significance. Siward, too, had ceased to be amused at the spectacle of Plank's calflike infatuation, and Leila Mortimer's bored smile had lasted so long that her olive-pink cheeks were stiff and she relaxed her fixed features with a little shrug that was also something of a shiver. Then, looking prudently around, she encountered Siward's eyes, and during a moment's hesitation they considered one another with an increasing curiosity that slowly became tentative intelligence. And her eyes said very plainly and wickedly to Siward's: "Oho, my friend! So it bores you to see Mr. Plank monopolizing an engaged girl who belongs to Howard Quarrier!"

Then without appearing to she took Plank away from temptation so skillfully that nobody except Siward understood that the young man had been incontinently removed. He, Plank, never doubting that he was a perfectly free agent, decided that the time had arrived for triumphant retirement.

Sylvia turned to Siward, glanced up at him, hesitated and began to laugh consciously:

"What do you think of my latest sentimental acquisition?"

"He'd be an ornament to a stock farm," replied Siward, out of humor.

"How brutal you can be!" she mused, smiling.

"Nonsense! He's a plain bounder, isn't he?"

"I don't know—is he? He struck me a trifle appealingly, even pathetically. They usually do, that sort. As though the trouble they took could ever be worth the time they lose!"

She sat, smiling maliciously down at the water, smoothing out the soaked skirt of her swimming suit and swinging her legs reflectively.

"Are you reconciled?" she asked presently.

"To what?"

"To leaving Shotover. Today is our last day, you know. You may be here again, but I—I shall not be I if I ever come to Shotover again."

Her stockinged heels beat the devil's tattoo against the marble sides of the pool. She reached up above her head, drawing down a flowering branch of Japanese orange, and caressed her delicate nose with the white blossoms dreamily, then mischievously, "I'm accustoming myself to this most significant perfume," she said, looking at him askance. And she deliberately hummed the wedding march, watching the color rise in his sullen face.

"If you had the courage of a sparrow you'd make life worth something for us both," he said.

She crossed her knees, one slender ankle imprisoned in her hand, leaning forward thoughtfully above the water.

"Our last day," she mused, "for we shall never be just you and I again—never again, my friend, after we leave this rocky coast of Eden. I am to be married a year from Nov. 1."

He looked up at her in dark surprise, for he had heard that their wedding date had been set for the coming winter.

"A year's engagement?" he repeated, unconvinced.

"It was my wish. I think that is sufficient for everybody concerned." Then, averting her face, which had suddenly lost a little of its color, "A year is little enough," she said impatiently. "I—what has happened to us requires an interval—a decent interval for its burial. Stephen Siward, what do you think of me now?"

"I am learning," he replied simply.

"What, if you please?"

"Learning a little about what I am losing."

"You mean me?"

"Yes."

She bent forward impulsively, balancing her body on the pool's rim with both arms, dropping her knee until her ankles swung interlocked above the water. "Listen," she said in a low, distinct voice. "What you lose is no other man's gain. If I warm and expand in your presence, if I say clever things sometimes, if I am intelligent, sympathetic and amusing, it is because of you. You inspire it in me. Normally I am the sort of girl you first met at the station. I tell you that I don't know myself now; that I have not known myself since I knew you. Qualities of understanding, ability to appreciate, to express myself without employing the commonplaces, subtleties of intercourse—all, maybe, were latent in me, but sterile until you came into my life. And when you go, then, lacking impulse and incentive, the new facility, the new sensitive alertness, the unconscious self confidence, all will smolder and die out in me. Shall we take a farewell plunge and dress? You know we say goodby tomorrow."

"Where do you go from here?"

"To Lenox. The Claymores have asked us for a week. After that Hot Springs for another two weeks or so. After that to Oyster Bay. Mr. Quarrier opens his house on Sedge point," she added demurely, "but I don't think he expects to invite you to The Sedges."

"How long do you stay there?" asked Siward irritably.

"Until we go to town in December."

"What will you find to do all that time in Oyster Bay?" he asked, more irritably.

"What a premature question! The yacht is there. Besides, there's the usual neighborhood hunting, with the usual packs and inevitable set, the usual steeple chasing, the usual exchange of social amenities, the usual driving and riding, the usual, my poor friend, the usual, in all its uncompromising certainty. And what are you to do?"

"I'm going to town."

"And then?"

"I don't know."

"Oh, but haven't you been asked somewhere? You have, of course."

"Yes, and I have declined."

"Matters of business," she inferred. "Too bad!"

"Oh, no."

"Then," she concluded, laughing, "you don't care to tell me where you are going."

"No," he said thoughtfully; "I don't care to tell you."

She laughed again carelessly and, placing one hand on the tiled pavement, sprang lightly to her feet.

"A last plunge?" she asked as he rose at her side.

"Yes, one last plunge together. Deep! Are you ready?"

She raised her white arms above her head, finger tips joined, poised an instant on the brink, swaying forward; then, at his brief word, they flashed downward together, cutting the crystalline sea water, shooting like great fish over the glass tiled bed, shoulder to shoulder under the water, and, opening their eyes, they turned toward one another with a swift outstretch of hands, an uncontrollable touch of lips, the very shadow of contact; then cleaving upward, rising to the surface to lie breathlessly floating, arms extended and the sun filtering down through the ground glass roof above.

"We are perfectly crazy," she breathed. "I'm quite mad; I see that. On land it's bad enough for us to misbehave. But submarine sentiment! We'll be growing scales and tails presently. Shall we dress? Even with a maid and the electric air blast it will take time to dry my hair and dress it."

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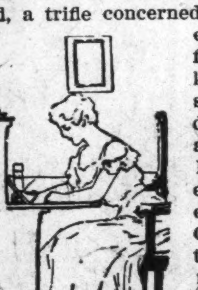
When he came out of his dressing room she was apparently still in the hands of the maid, so he sauntered through the house as far as the library and, drawing a check book from one pocket, fished out a memorandum book from another and began to cast up totals with a view to learning something about the various debts contracted at Shotover.

He seemed to owe everybody. Fortune had smitten him hip and thigh, and, a trifle concerned, he began covering a pad with figures until he knew where he stood. Then he drew a considerable check to Major Belwether's order, another to Alderdene. Others followed to other people for various amounts, and he was very busily at work when, aware of another presence near, he turned around in his chair. Sylvia Landis was writing at a desk in the corner, and she looked up, nodding the little greeting that she always reserved for him even after five minutes' separation.



Sylvia Landis was writing at a desk in the corner.

"I'm writing checks," she said. "I suppose you're writing to your mother."

"Why do you think so?" he asked curiously.

"You write to her every day, don't you?"

"Yes," he said. "But how do you know?"

She looked at him with unblushing deliberation. "You wrote every day. If it was to a woman, I wanted to know. And I told Grace Ferrall that it worried me. And then Grace told me. Is there any other confession of my own pettiness that I can make to you?"

"Did you really care to whom I was writing?" he asked slowly.

"Care? I—it worried me. Was it not a pitifully common impulse? 'Sisters under our skin,' you know—I and the maid who dresses me. She would have snooped; I didn't; that's the only generic difference. I wanted to know just the same. But that was before"—

"Before what?"

"Before I—please don't ask me to say it. I did once when you asked me."

"Before you cared for me—is that what you mean?"

"Yes. You are so cruelly literal when you wish to punish me. You are interrupting me too. I owe that wretched Kemp Ferrall a lot of money, and I'm trying to find out how much seven and nine are to close accounts with Marion Page."

Siward turned and continued his writing. And when the little sheaf of checks was ready he counted them, laid them aside and, drawing a flat packet of fresh bank notes from his portfolio, counted out the tips expected of him below stairs. These arranged for, he straightened up and glanced over his shoulder at Sylvia, but she was apparently absorbed in counting something on the ends of her fingers, so he turned smilingly to his desk and wrote a long letter to his mother—the same tender, affectionately boyish letter he had always written her, full of confidences, full of humor, gayly anticipating his own return to her on the heels of the letter.

In his first letter to her from Shotover he had spoken casually of a Miss Landis. It seemed the name was familiar enough to his mother, who asked about her, and he had replied in another letter or two, a trifle emphatic in his praise of her, because from his mother's letters it was quite evident that she knew a good deal concerning the very unconventional affairs of Sylvia's family.

Of his swift and somewhat equivocal courtship he had had nothing to say in his letters. In fact, recently he had nothing to say about Sylvia at all, reserving that vital confidence for the clear sympathy and understanding which he looked forward to when he should see her and which, through dark days and bitter aftermaths, through struggle and defeat by his master vice, had never failed him yet, never faltered for an instant.

(Continued next week.)

CORAOPOLIS, PA.

At the St. Paul A. M. E. Zion Church last Friday night the subject for debate at the literary society was "Resolved, That a Mother's Influence Has More Power Over a Man Than a Wife's." It was very exciting from start to finish by Miss Lizzie Boyer and Miss Everett. It was an even neck...Last Sunday Rev. Mrs. V. F. Stout preached a special sermon at 3 p. m. at West End A. M. E. Zion Church of Pittsburg, to a large congregation. The choir was present also and rendered a fine musical program...Miss Katie Frayson is visiting in Salem, Ohio, the guest of Mrs. Jordan...Miss Edna Johnson has returned from Washington, D. C., where she went to attend the funeral of her father...Miss Aurella Freeman has returned from East Liverpool, Ohio, after spending several weeks with her mother...At the rally held at Mt. Olive Baptist Church last Sunday Rev. T. Parton was a grand success.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

The Sweet Sixteen Club met recently with Miss Alberta O'Leary on South West street...Rev. Hoaglan of Bloomington, Ill., preached an able sermon at the Second Christian Church...Mrs. Thomas Allen entertained the Social Domestic Club at her home in the country recently...Mrs. Samuel Williams of North Sandy street royally entertained Rev. E. M. Harlis at dinner April 10...Miss Crowe is now living on East Morgan street...The Mallory brothers played at an entertainment Tuesday, April 7, at Perry, Ill...J. Wrestley Reed, who has been visiting his brother, Charley, of Wolcott street, is now living in Mexico, Mo...Mrs. Mary Reed entertained a number of friends last week. Excellent refreshments were served...The Sunday School scholars of the Bethel A. M. E. Church have prepared an excellent Easter program...The Wednesday Art Club met recently with Mrs. Ida McCree on Anna street...Mrs. Samuel Rhodes, Mrs. Mandy Belle, Miss Icy Seymour, Julia Berry, Chas. Moore, Mrs. Clara Edwards and Walter Woodson are improving...Mrs. Nevels and Samuel Abbington are ill.

MT. VERNON, IND.

Mrs. Jennie L. Lwis, worthy grand matron of the State, paid her annual visit to Sheba Chapter of Mt. Vernon and while in the city she was the guest of H. J. Thompson and family. ...Lloyd Cooper is home for the summer...Mrs. Grace Wesley has returned from Cincinnati...Rev. G. H. White visited Indianapolis this week...Israel Jones is on the sick list...Elmo Jones is able to be out again...Anthony Bell and Mrs. McCarty are still ill...The Freeman can be had from Herman Bishop, Sherman Wesley. H. J. Thompson, general agent...The Missionary Baptist Church observed Easter with an elaborate program under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Willis.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

There was a large crowd out at the Palm Sunday service at Allen Chapel both morning and evening. Baptizing was after the morning service. Each person who visited the collection table at the morning service received a palm. Bishop Grant will preach next Sunday...Grand Easter services at all the churches. There was some disturbance at a ball game in Kansas City, Kan., last Sunday between the blacks and whites, in which three or four whites were badly beaten and one which may prove fatal...The election is over and Kansas City has a Democratic mayor and nearly all the other city officials...The Joplin, Mo., crew of wiaters with Mr. Hobbs as head waiter, left here last Friday at noon to open "The Connor," a new hotel, on the 14th of April. Some of the boys left sweethearts and some wives, and also brothers and sisters. But as it isn't far we hope to see or hear of some of them returning some old time...Remember the agent for the paper is now living at 719 Charlotte street.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

Quarterly Meeting services were held at Trinity A. M. E. Church Sunday. Rev. Hubbard, presiding elder, was present...Wm. Banks, the oldest colored waiter in Salt Lake City, died Friday and was buried Monday. ...Thelma Tatum was buried Sunday, April 5...Walter Van Pelt of Omaha, Neb., was in the city Wednesday, after having suffered a severe attack of pneumonia...Quite a sudden change was made in the dining room of the Wilson Hotel last week. White boys have taken the place of the colored boys...All of the churches have made great preparations for Easter...Mrs. George Bunch is visiting relatives in Ogden. ...Rev. J. C. Bell and wife and Mrs. Bessie Seal left Wednesday for Trinidad, Colo.

ALWAYS A BOY.

A teacher in one of the schools of New York tells of a colored boy in his school who desired to go to work. "Well, my boy,' says he, "you want to go to work, do you? What are you going to do?" "I am going to be a door boy, sir." "You will get $2.50 or $3.00 a week, but after a while that will not be enough. What then?" "I should like to be an office boy." "Well, what next?" "I should like to get a position as bell boy." "Well, what next?" "I should like to climb to the position of head bell boy." He was now up against it; he could not see any higher, any further; he was cribbed and confined by his environment, by the results of his environments.

The unthoughtful will be in a hurry to deny that this boy is hedged in; they will point out what that person is doing in this place,a nd what that person is doing elsewhere, as if these cases established a rule. The boy was much wiser; he could not argue on the situation; he "jes' knowed" that he did not have the outlet that white boys have,a nd for that reason his ambition had different limitations. Their horizons were not at all the same, since they stood in different positions, just as the horizon of an individual in Louisville is not that of another in Indianapolis. Their world were totally different.

It appears smallish in the boy at first blush in wanting to be a bell boy—merely a bell boy; but really, there's pathos in it. The boy will never see it; he is too content to be a boy, since he knows that the likes of him are "made" for such positions. To the thoughtful Negro of understanding, to the white man that takes time to think, it's actually a touching incident. Just to think of the simplicity, when thousands, millions, no better than this boy, are rushing along in ruinous haste after the great things of life, the things that make for show, and through which attention is called to the individual. And if the boy were merely an incident in his small wish, he would needs not even be the subject of sympathy in his lowly aspiration, since the world is in need of the contented humble. But he stands for a class; it is here that pity enters. The condition, however, is not hopeless, and reduces itself, as most questions, wherein are concerned at least our industrial prosperity, to the great race problem. We will not attempt to make application, but will say in short, that the race has it in its power to make conditions very much different.

In desiring to be a bell boy, he made survey of his small scope of industrial vision and took inventory of his environment; those before him talked bell boy and similar jobs because most were employed there. The fact does not reflect on the boy at all, in that he could not think beyond his world; it is on the older ones who have not prepared a way for him and also on the general country which takes such small cognizance. Under the circumstances, there is some nobility in seeking the best of his "allotment." It was a move for respectability and independence, and in a money sense, really no bad move—the bell boy has chances to make money. And viewing it broadly—there must be bell boys, and if only bell boys would put their mites together they would accomplish things also. Here is th efault; no one talks business, capital, buying, selling in the hearing of this boy; it is all the light an airy side of l ifeuntil he is surfeited with the notion of his inconsequence in the great world of agairs, and therefore bears himself as being simply grateful for being alive. Then, to be a bell boy is great consideration to him; it means money to dress up well. What uses has he for money, excepting to dress up? If admonished to save, it is that he dresses up better when he can no longer see his earnings shut up out of his reach.

We think, however, that one who is so wrapped up in these series of situations ending with that of head bell boy as this boy showed, will find some way out of the tight laced circumstances that he was proud of his opportunity, was in his favor; he did not go to it slavish like, to go through the duties as an automation, but he would go to the head of the class. It was the stuff in hi mthat counted. In event a way does open up for him, he will yet go to the head of his class. In the language of Booker T. Washington—he let down the bucket where he was.

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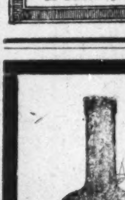

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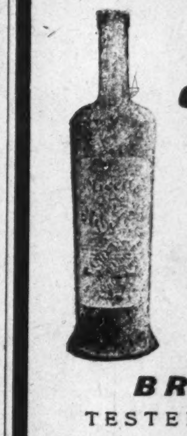

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Hats off to the "sweat box," or whatever it is; it got in its work last week.

Governor Hughes, of New York, is getting things done in the same old way.

According to program, our fleet will make no formal calls at European ports.

Custom is good enough law sometimes. We are not familiar with balls on Sunday night. Better not experiment.

Congressman Heflin had a $20,000 suit for Easter. It came as a precious gift from a colored gentleman by the name of Lundy, whom he shot not many days ago.

Peddlers and junk dealers will be hit hard if the proposed ordinance goes through the City Council. The city fathers evidently think they do a land office business.

The preachers of Hastings, Ind., have voted to start a crusade against the twenty-six saloons of that city. It is needless to say that there is some uneasiness among the liquor dealers.

The queer thing about the temperance wave now on is that it came without any particular "boosting." The prohibition people, however, are taking advantage of the high tide, and which leads to victory.

Many of the remonstrants that put the eighteen saloons out of business in the Second Ward of Elwood, Ind., did not spell their names correctly. The judge ruled that the "Roosevelt" spelling would do—according to sound.

It will prove a dangerous expedient to divide the vote on a race issue. Really there is no salvation in such a step. It is hardly to be expected by any party since the race idea is not confined to a class of people.

This is the loafing period for Congress. The great campaign for presidential nomination is the ruling "interest." For the life of the, they can not think otherwise. The President is urged to do some prodding; but maybe the President isn't busy himself?

The threatened "defection" of Negroes from the Republican party, in the event of the nomination of Secretary Taft, might be alarming were it not for the peculiar fact that the most vociferous of the "threateners" have no vote anywhere, and small influence with anybody.

Perhaps, as a dernier resort, to emphasize the force of his protest against the nomination of Secretary Taft, the Rev. S. L. Corrothers and his allies may throw their "strength" to Tom Watson, the Negro-baiting candidate of the Populists. The country must be saved, at all hazards.

Up to the time we go to press, those fiery, untamed advocates of universal suffrage and relentless opponents of the "revised constitutions" of the Southern States, Professors W. E. B. DuBois and L. M. Hershaw, have not paid their poll-tax or otherwise qualified as voters in Atlanta, Ga., where they claim citizenship.

Colonel Watterson, of Kentucky, thinks that Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, is a little late in entering the race for the nomination for President on the Democratic ticket to have any hopes of winning. It appears that Governor Johnson was his "great unknown" some honths ago, and in whom he had great faith as a winner for the Democratic party.

Secretary Cortelyou says it is as much a duty of business men to attend the primaries as it is for them to attend their daily business. Business men and others who take no part in the selection of candidates have a way of complaining about selections when they, by a little time given to the matter, could have candidates to their own liking.

The country refuses to be set aquiver over the report that that eminent Zion theologian, the Rev. Sylvester L. Corrothers, swears by all the gods that he intends to support Bryan for President, if the Chicago convention declines to do his bidding. It is a matter of some speculation whether Bryan wants Mr. Corrothers' support or not. The refusal of Bryan to admit colored people to his religious lecture at Charleston, W. Va., is still fresh in our memory.

Senator Foraker had a regular "Warren Hastings" kind of time in the Senate last week. The world of curiosity and eager interest turned out to hear his further effort at restoring the status quo of the Negro soldiers. The galleries were filled with "fair women and brave men," who hung on every word uttered by the brilliant speaker, who had the hardihood to question the purpose of the President. It was a most memorable occasion and the Senator "did himself proud."

Louis Lundy, of Washington, D. C., charges that Congressman Heflin slapped him, kicked him, knocked him off the street car, then shot him; he asks damages to the extent of $20,000. The Congressman displayed wonderful agility; there were many witnesses and more than likely Mr. Lundy will recover something of Mr. Heflin. What will be his line of defense can not be anticipated, but whatever it may be, it will scarcely succeed in destroying all of the alleged facts. The termination of the case is awaited with considerable anxiety.

But Senator Borah is a lawyer, and fresh from a case of vigorous prosecution in his own State. He had the feeling on when uttering his very caustic comment on the Brownsville happening. He imagined he was charging a jury when he so brilliantly exclaimed:

"To my mind, certain members of the Twenty-fifth Infantry are guilty of murder, planned and deliberated on and accomplished with deadly precision."

He said the one point in which the rioters failed was that they expected to kill more than they did.

Tut, tut, Senator.

Mr. Ray Stannard Baker wants to know: "What is a Negro?" "What is his race?" he asks. He says further: "The spirit and the ideals are not Negro; for the people are not Negro, even the darkest of them, in the sense that the inhabitants of the jungles of Africa are Negroes."

Evidently the student of Negro sociology is stumped, or he is sparring for wind. What the race will be with its white man ideals and its easy curiosity—susceptibility—is not known. Whether it is so highly sensitive through pique—because of racial rating evidenced through daily alignment, or owing to inherent disposition—nature—has not been determined. Whether it is fixed or transient in the present status, or whether it tends yet towards the white man's ideals or whether it has paused, settled down after gathering what it can best assimilate, rearranging the "discordant" elements into a composite—an ideal of its own—is but conjecture. Mr. Baker, you must wait awhile. Who knows anything about it?

"You see, I try to stick to my text, but before I know it I lose my religion in talking to you. I lost it when I heard of the butchery at Atlanta a short while ago. I lost it again when I heard of the Brownsville affair. I would not have referred to that unhappy blot if you had not insisted on it.

"And I lost it only a few days ago when I read of the action of the Virginia Republican convention at Lynchburg that ignored the delegates of your race. I think it was a shame and I don't care who knows it."—Senator Foraker.

The Senator was addressing a religious body of colored men—the A. M. E. Conference assembled at Baltimore. It accounts for the religious phase of his speech. His persistent advocacy of the Negroes' cause has fixed him a sure place in their estimation. In and out of season he has taken high ground —abstract right, unassociated with the modifying influences which gives the races its peculiar citizenship. We do not hold that greater office is due him because of his avowed position, but with the race feel prepared to respect, honor and support him in event of the greater call.

The skiddooers can find some three hundred other nights besides Sunday nights on which to dance. This has in mind the colored people who are not prepared to indulge in everything seen or heard of, simply because others do so. There are many other ways to "break" out in order to act like the white folks. Nobody is red-headed about industrial institutions in this vicinity. As a matter of right, the colored people can not be held especially offensive when engaging in what others are lawfully engaged in; but morally, as a matter of propriety, everything considered, there are things in which white people are engaged that the colored people would appear extremely foolish in. The advice in the particular instance, advising "Whatch um you call it" ball on Sunday night, was ill advised and for the reasons given. Those urging it from the top are either ignorant of the race situation or bent on pure mischief. The chief of police, Mr. Metzger, did his duty in the matter as it pertains to the race, even if he took extra authority to do so. We do not know that he did take extra authority; it will not matter as it concerns the colored people. It appears that some one had to get paternal in the business, and it was just as well to be the Mayor or the chief of police as anybody else.

THE LATE SAMUEL W. STARKS, OF CHARLESTON, W. VA.

Perhaps no Negro in the country has had a more varied and successful career than the late Samuel W. Starks, of Charleston, W. Va. He was but forty years of age at the time of his death a few weeks ago, yet in that short space of time he had a round of experiences rarely allotted one of his age.

Mr. Starks commenced his busy life as an employe of a cooper shop on the Elk River, where he served his apprenticeship. Later on he became a telegraph operator, and was the first man to hold that position on the K. and M. Railroad when it entered Charleston. After this he entered the grocery business, where he remained until he was appointed State Librarian by Gov. A. B. White in 1901. Four years later he was reappointed to the same position by Governor Dawson.

During Mr. Starks' busy career he found time to devote to Pythianism, the order which owes very much to him in the state of West Virginia. He was zealous for its upbuilding and was in turn honored by the highest honors and offices possible for the lodge to bestow. At the time of his death he was serving his sixteenth term as Grand Chancellor of his State, a fact that speaks at once as to his estimation by his fellow lodgemen. His fame went out, beyond his State. Wherever Pythianism was known his name was the token for the gathering of the "clans." He wore his shield of faith, honor, duty buckled close up, nor allowed it to be struck down by the "adversary." This vigilance and care and caution were manifest. Also those combined qualities supremely exerted or safeguarded gave him Pythian eminence in all the land—in all the lands—North and South America, Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia. So when Pythianism had gathered at Columbus, Ohio, from the four corners of the earth, as it were, it came singing the praises of Samuel W. Starks and voted him the first place in its affections. The great honor of Supreme Chancellor was bestowed by a thoughtful conclave, which distinction he wore with becoming dignity until his untimely taking off.

Other great offices fell to Mr. Starks along the line of Pythian endeavor. He was president of the Pythian Mutual Investment Association, president of the Pythian Temple and Sanitarium Commission, which has property to the value of $150,000 in Chicago. He was also a member of the Masonic fraternity, in which order he was of influence and held honorable offices.

Thus his public life, political, fraternal, was crowded to the verge; his trusts were great and important, yet he administered them with rare judgment and foresight, gaining for himself continued and increasing confidence. Pythianism suffers in his removal. Negro citizenship was staggered by the blow, and mankind loses a member from the very forefront of its ranks.

The Northwestern Republican Club gave a reception to candidates Tuesday evening at the club rooms in North Indianapolis. William Bosson was the principal speaker of the evening and refreshments were served.

INCITING A RIOT.

The "sweat box" and the agility of the city police last week kept down much bad feeling, if not actually preventing a race riot, which might have had a serious ending. A young white man confessed that he and his girl "company" made up a plot to have it appear that the girl was forcibly torn from his side by two Negroes, and of course with the intent of criminal assault. According to the plan, the girl screamed and ran, attracted the attention of several men who happened to be near. Her clothes were torn, she pretended to be highly wrought up as she told the story of the fake outrage.

At the "heart rending" story the men got busy. Soon afterwards the police and detectives were informed and a man hunt began in earnest. The young man in the meanwhile also gave the alarm and in a short while the vicinity was in an uproar. The detectives and police, after questioning the pair, became suspicious, since the stories told failed to agree. Closer questioning developed the fact that the whole business was put up, but for what purpose has not been stated. It is easily imagined that the story was concocted to incite a riot with the view, perhaps, of lynching the Negroes by enraged citizens. It stands to reason that this was the object, and some such result would have followed had it not been for the vigilance of the police.

It was extremely lucky that the officials wrung the truth out of the pair. Much bad feeling would have otherwise resulted if not vengeance at the hands of a mob. And right here it is well enough to observe that similar cases have happened, but with far different results. The mob is bad in itself, but when to it is added the further crime of taking the life of innocent persons it is doubly offensive.

Had this been some other locality, two innocent Negroes would have been strung up long since or in some other way defeated of their lives. This is no dream, or mayhaps or maybes; just as sure as two and two make four, had these two people told their story a few degrees to the south of us, there would have been the clicking of the wires telling the news. Some kind of punishment has been suggested by the authorities, but it is not so certain there is any law on the point. The airing, however, will tend to prevent a similar happening in this community and ought to teach a valuable lesson to those who are always "certain" when it comes to a question of veracity between white and colored persons. Perhaps no graver crime could have been committed than this one and really the perpetrators deserve punishment.

SENATOR FORAKER'S GREAT EFFORT.

It is said that Senator Foraker's speech last Tuesday in the Senate was made under remarkable circumstances. For many months he has devoted much of his time and energy in an effort to bring about a happy solution of the unhappy soldiers' episode. It is further related that he has suffered in his health as a consequence and that his family was fearful of ill results, when he decided on going to that body to make another effort in behalf of the discharged Twenty-fifth Infantry. The steadfast friendship evinced all along, and the determination to risk his health, leaves but very little doubt of the Senator's attitude. He has proven a hero in the matter; he appeals to the Negroes as such; taking on himself the duty of befriending the discharged men, in and out of season.

The galleries were crowded with those anxious to hear Mr. Foraker on the famous case. His physicians were among the great crowd, and apprehensive of a break-down, since he was known to be considerably wrought up and at the same time indisposed. The colored people were there, helping largely in making up what was considered one of the largest audiences in years. Congressmen deserted their seats, thronged to the Senate chamber and listened to another installment of that protracted controversy by the brilliant Senator from Ohio. There were all the elements in the controversy to make the occasion splendid from a parliamental standpoint. The interests were national and great, because a portion of the nation's soldiers were involved, because the question of races was there in the spirit, at least, and because it was one of those rare occasions when a President is taken to task. Beyond this yet, was the interest lent of the presidential campaign, where the question is of no little influence.

He denied that he desired to embarrass the President, or that he was actuated by political motives. He went into the details of the question, reviewed the evidences submitted, denouncing the unprecedented methods, as he put it, of trying to prove the soldiers guilty of crime, and that of subjection to accusative testimony, being summoned to appear and prove their innocence. Said he:

"It was a violation of the practice, that had been obeyed since the beginning of common law."

He did not spare General Garlington and others who were sent to learn the facts. He did not think much of Major Blocksom's testimony, who charged the Negroes with breaking open the gun racks. He concluded the analysis of the evidence as follows:

"There is testimony of the strongest character in favor of the soldiers in the striking improbability of the whole theory of their guilt."

It is well to note here that even so staunch an advocate as the Ohio Senator did not feel free to say that the question was not without doubt; he leaned strongly to the theory of innocence, but by no means is he thoroughly satisfied. He is satisfied that at the worst construction, only a few men could have been implicated, and like many thoughtful white men and the Negroes generally, thinks that Congress should come to the rescue of the much greater number who could have had no part in the disturbance.

The Senator said that the President had already relented, and that he felt it a pleasure to do so. Speaking of the two bills for reinstatement, that of Senator Warner and his own, he said:

"The Warner bill requires the men to prove their innocence to the satisfaction of the President; the Foraker bill allows all to re-enlist who take an oath they had no part in the affray. The Warner bill does not authorize correction of the records, while the Foraker bill provides for such correction, The Warner bill does not remove the bar against re-enlistment, while the Foraker bill explicitly removes that bar. Moreover, the Foraker bill restores the non-commissioned officers to the rank they held, while Senator Warner's bill does not.

"The bill offered by the Senator from Missouri is most extraordinary in another respect. I venture to claim that it is without a precedent in all the history of the liberty-loving English-speaking nations of the earth. It requires that men accused of crime shall prove their innocence! And that they shall prove their innocence to the satisfaction of a judge who has already prejudged their case, not once, or twice, or three times."

Mr. Foraker put the greater stress on the conditions to be complied with for reinstatement. It is here that all could well afford to agree, and without sacrificing any of the contentions. The President has been sustained in his decision, therefore has nothing to lose. The Negroes are satisfied that the soldiers were not proven guilty. The President's decision was based on circumstantial evidence, purely, and while such things go in courts sometimes, they were not always convincing to some minds and are not conclusive to any. Plain, incontestable facts in the case were wanted; it was without them. Leading circumstances pieced out by wit and ingenuity sometimes lead to right conclusions, and quite as often lead astray. So it appears that we are no nearer the solution of the problem on its real merits than the first day. For this reason one of the various plans for adjustment should pass "muster." A vigorous opposition to the President's plan or those plans insisting that he be the court of the last resort could only be based on his supposed frame of mind. If the President is inclined to welcome the men back when sanctioned by Congress, then hes the "tribunal" above all others. "What will he do with it?"

EASTER DAY AT LOUISVILLE

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ing arranged by the committee, and their manner of entertainment will be royal in every respect. From what can be learned, there are some out-of-town "medicos" to be present. The representative of The Freeman takes the liberty to extend a hearty welcome to that class of professional men who have made such rapid progress in the field of scientific surgery and medicine. We welcome those out of the State and those in the State to come to Louisville and partake of its hospitality. If the doctors are too busy to look after you at all times, pull our latchstring; the door will come open. In behalf of the press we welcome the physicians of the State, and hope that the meeting will surpass others of a similar nature.

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On last Friday night, at the Church of Our Merciful Savior, the augmented choir sang "The Daughter of Jarius" before an audience which left not a seat vacant in the church. The music was under the personal direction of Mr. Roy Tibbs, a graduate of Fisk University. The chorus was fine and the soloists sang with good understanding of the oratorio. "Awake, Thou That Sleepest," "Arise from the Dead" and "Christ Shall Give Thee Light" were among the numbers that were artistically given.

After the singing Mr. Tibbs gave five selections upon the large pipe organ. The occasion marked an epoch in the annals of music in the church. Every one present was agreeably pleased with the high-class selection. Mr. Tibbs is an artist, and is giving the music lovers of Louisville an opportunity to hear some of the very best selections of great composers. He will be the principal figure in the May Festival that is to be May 6, 7 and 8.

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Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, the well-known missionary worker, will appear in New Jersey, April 26, and remain in that section until May 10. A missionary campaign is now going on in New Jersey, and she will be present to assist the Rev. L. G. Jordan and the Rev. G. G. Fishback. Miss Burroughs is one of the most forceful speakers of the race, and has grown to become one of the most popular platform orators in this country. It will be remembered that it was Miss Burroughs who created a strong impression at the Negro Congress at Atlanta, a few years ago, when several of America's greatest speakers had preceded her, and she received marked distinction at the World's Baptist Congress, which met in England some time ago. She will be welcomed by a number of women who are connected with the National Baptist Women's Convention, Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention.

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All in all, Louisville bids fair to witness one of the gayest and most replete spring and summer seasons in its history. There will be may spring weddings and anniversaries. The Young Men's Progressive League will open the season with a minstrel at Macauley's Theater, May 1; bazaar of the Presbyterian Church, Spring Festival of Mursergia Club, "Mikado" opera, Central Law School Commencement, National Negro Teachers' Association, Eckstein - Norton Commencement and Booker T. Washington, State University and High School commencements and class reunions. Visitors from all sections are expected to be here.

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The Louisville Giants will play to-morrow the White Socks of Indianapolis, Ind. The game is expected to be one of the best seen here since the ball tossers have been on the new field at Spring Bank Park. The White Socks succeeded in beating the Giants last season at a score of 3 to 2, and the game this Sunday promises to be more interesting. Manager Lancaster, of the Giants, has a number of new men this season, and from what can be learned, the home boys will make "mince meat" out of the Hoosiers. This remains to be seen.

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It is being loudly talked here that an effort will be put forward to have a commercial department instituted in the Central High School. Many of the representative citizens have expressed an idea that their children should have a practical knowledge of bookkeeping, shorthand and typewriting, etc. A well-grounded business education for the children coming on is the wish of the better thinking Negroes. Some active and tangible efforts are expected to be directed in this direction at an early date.

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Mrs. Grace Allen, formerly of Burlington, Ia., but now of Springfield, Ill., is in the city in the interest of the Ambidexter Institute, in Springfield. She is speaking at various churches, and is making a wonderful impression upon the many audiences she is addressing. Her progress has been of such a nature that her visit has been prolonged from two weeks to four. Mrs. Allen is the guest of Mrs. Daisy Conrad on West Madison street, and she is receiving the usual courtesy that is accorded visitors.

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There is some talk of Mr. George Slaughter opening up a news stand on Walnut street, between Ninth and Tenth, and selling the leading papers and magazines of the race. Mr. Slaughter is now selling from five to six hundred copies of The Freeman in this city every week, and it is possible that he could sell more if the people could find him at some permanent place.

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Prof. C. C. Monroe, editor of the Teachers' Advocate, of Lexington, Ky., has opened a teachers' school at the True Reformers' Hall, on West Walnut street, to prepare teachers for the county examination. Prof. Monroe is one of the most brilliant teachers and instructors in the State, and he is succeeding nicely in his work.

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Tobe Brown, the leading cornetist of this city, has returned from Chicago, where he had charge of the Pekin Theater Orchestra. Mr. Brown will remain here the remainder of the season. An effort will be made to have him play for the annual school picnic, which is the largest gathering of Negroes in the South.

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The city of Louisville will be soon interested in the wedding of Miss Willie B. Cooper and Mr. James L. Tate. Both are very popular, and the wedding is expected to be largely attended. There are several other weddings to follow, who are among the leaders in the social set.

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Cassius Smith, of the Guy Smith Moving Company, entertained at dinner last Saturday in honor of Misses Nettie Selkirk, of Cincinnati, Amanda Webb, of Georgetown, and Mrs. Myrtle Anderson, of Cincinnati. Mr. Geo. Strickland, of this city, was also present.

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Miss Charity Boyd, of Frankfort, Ky., was in the city last week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Johnson, on West Magazine street. Miss Boyd is a teacher in the Frankfort school, and is one of the most popular girls in the Bluegrass section.

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Never before in years was this city so rampant with politics. There are meetings being held every night in all parts of the city. There are several candidates for Congress making speeches, and many of the meetings are warm and enthusiastic. At one time it seemed that the State was for Taft, another time for Foraker, but at present it seems that an effort will be made to send delegates to go to the convention at Chicago uninstructed.

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It is being confidently reported that some of the single ministers of the city are thinking of getting married at an early date. The ball was started rolling by Mr. James H. Black, and many are thinking of following in his steps.

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Dr. Leroy Cox, of the Douglass Drug Store, made a flying trip to Lexington, Ky., Easter, and was the guest of Mr. Lee Hawkins. Dr. Cox is well known in Lexington, and he was highly entertained by his numerous friends.

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The Rev. Mrs. Lena Mason, who has been in Indianapolis and Philadelphia, carrying on great revivals at crowded houses, has returned to the city, and preached last Sunday to a crowded house at the Trinity A. M. E. Church.

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Misses Amanda Webb, Nettie Selkirk, Mrs. Nannie Neal, Mrs. Myrtle Granderson, Messrs. J. H. Porter and John Smith were the out-of-town guests attending the Steward-Black wedding last week.

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The Episcopal Church of Our Merciful Savior is being painted on the exterior by Mr. Willis, one of the best colored painters in the city. He will finish the work by the latter part of next week.

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Misses Lillian and Anna Prosser, of West Chestnut street, were the guests at dinner last Tuesday at the home of Miss Emma Lang, on Thirtieth and Walnut streets.

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Miss Julia Young, editor of the Kentucky Standard, made a flying trip to Lexington, Ky., last week, to attend the Knights of Pythias Minstrel.

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Misses Ella and Lillian Prosser were entertained at dinner last week at the home of Miss Emma Lang, Twenty-ninth and Walnut streets.

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Ed Rogers, of West Baden, Ind., was in the city last week, circulating among friends.

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Mr. Harry Wyatt, of Indianapolis, was in the city Sunday.

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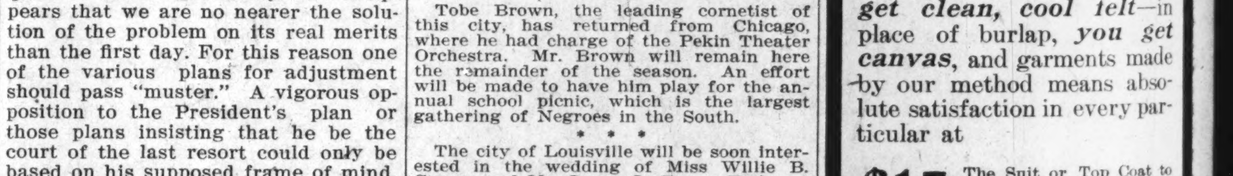

The Magic Shampoo Hair Drier.

This circular, describing the Magic Shampoo Drier and Hair Straightener, should appeal to every lady who takes pride in having a beautiful head of hair.

The Shampoo Hair Drier is a toilet article that, when once used, becomes indispensable to a lady's toilet paraphernalia.

We are in possession of hundreds of letters from ladies who inform us that they would not attempt to arrange their hair without it, since having had an opportunity to test its merits.

It will straighten curly hair without injury to the hair or scalp.

Its use wil increase the growth of the hair, by keeping the scalp free from dust, dandruff and grease.

In many instances the hair is allowed to go too long unwashed on account of the time required in drying and the dampness contracting the hair, but with our Drier, moderately heated, as you would a curling iron, the hair can be dried quickly and straightened nicely, thereby making it look beautiful and natural in appearance.

This toilet article is as much a necessity to a lady having straight hair as it is to one whose hair is curly, for it is an indisputable fact that every lady should bathe the hair at regular intervals, and when the long-time drying process is eliminated she will not hesitate as much to keep the scalp and hair clean by bathing.

With the Shampoo Drier the hair can be dried and arranged in thirty (30) minutes. The use of the "Drier," properly handled, will not remove the wave from straight hair, but to curly hair it will leave the beautiful wave found in hair that is straight. The many so-called Hair Straighteners upon the market, which have proven injurious and caused so much unsightly appearance, have made ladies feel sensitive and suspicious of all such devices, but from the many testimonials received from satisfied users, we can without fear give a guarantee of satisfaction to any one following directions.

The Shampoo Drier does not mat the hair down to the head, as it is usually done with the old style straightener, but its use leaves it fluffy and in waves.

We have sold the Magic Shampoo Drier to some of the foremost ladies of this country, anad they are in evidence in every State of the Union and Canada.

When the Drier is once used it will never be abandoned or laid aside, for no lady's toilet is complete without it, and no lady will be without one who has a pride in the appearance of her crowning beauty.

The combs are aluminum, four and one-half inches long, with teeth one inch long, which fits into a receptacle on the bar seven-sixteenths of an inch square, with a four-inch wooden handle.

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The "Drier" has been pronounced by patent experts to be the most practical hair drier and straightener upon the market, combined with extraordinary merit.

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Each lady can help to improve the looks of every other lady, if one will speak of the merits of the Magic Shampoo Hair Drier.

Take this circular to your drug store or department store and ask for them. Request them to get one for you. They will be glad to get them for you and your friends.

If they cannot accommodate you, write us direct, and send us one dollar by P. O. order, express money order, certified check or registered letter, and we will mail it to you. Agents are wanted in every city. Write for terms.

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THE STAGE

To the Colored Performers of Today.

From Robert C. White, Manager of the Coney Island Minstrels.

If you strike a thorn or rose,
"Keep-a-goin;'"
If it hails or if it snows,
"Keep-a-goin;'"
'Taint no use to sit and whine,
When another performer steals your lines,
Bait your hook and keep on tryin',
"Keep-a-goin;'"

When the weather kills your crop,
"Keep-a-goin;'"
When you tumble from the top,
"Keep-a-goin;'"
S'pose you're out of every dime,
Getting broke aint any crime,
Tell the world your feeling prime—
"Keep-a-goin;'"

When it looks like all is up,
"Keep-a-goin;'"
Drain the sweetness from the cup,
"Keep-a-goin;'"
See the wild bird on the wing,
Hear the bells that sweetly ring,
When you feel like sighing sing—
"Keep-a-goin.'"
—ROBERT C. WHITE

Eddie Stafford, of the Mahara Minstrels, is in the city.

The "Watermelon Trust" made quite a success at Fifth Avenue Theatre, New York, last week.

Ernest Hogan, the star comedian, is recovering from his illness at the Sanitarium, Rutland, Mass.

Clarence White, the noted violinist, will come to Indianapolis, May 8, to give a recital, under the auspices of the Colored Y. M. C. A. Orchestra.

"Slim" Mason and John Carson were in the city this week, en route to Peru, to join P. G. Lowery's Musical Enterprise for the coming circus season.

W. A. Mahara's Minstrels have closed for the season. Tim Owsley, comedian and stage manager, with his wife, will spend the summer in this city with his parents.

Mahara's Minstrels summer season will open at Washington, Mo., in their own portable air dome, seating 1000 people. Otis Bowers, formerly of Black and Bowers' Minstrels, will be manager in charge of the company.

At the termination of this season at Desota, Mo., April 17, Jack Mahara of Mahara's Minstrels, retired from the show.

The Thomases—George E. and Mamie—are to play the moving picture houses through Ohio, New York and Pennsylvania for the summer introducing Mr. Thomas' new act using two banjos with illustrated songs of the Sunny South. Mr. Thomas was the stage manager for P. G. Lowery's Nashville Students and Concert Band. Also a member of Lowery's side show troups with the Hagenbeck and Wallace Shows. Paul Carter, why don't you write?

The big show that was introduced and given by P. W. Robinson, Caraopolis, Pa., under the name of the "Jolly Stars," and was such a success are making preparations for another big show under the name of the "Wise Tramp." Comical Joe will be seen will undoubtedly make anything laugh on earth; the comic and dramatic Miss Bertha Wells, Miss Emma Grayson and Miss Alice Wells, Mr. Joseph J. W. Robinson, Mr. Gillon Robinson, Mr. Charles Masson, Mr. Linwood Treamer and Mr. Joseph Potee.

Lincoln Theatre, Knoxville, Tenn.

Sam P. Gardener, assisted by Sank Simms, are presenting with much success two shows a week.

Billy Mmte of Marshall's Plantation Company, sends regards to P. G. Lowery.

THE ROYAL THEATER.

The "Big Royal Bunch" were entertained with a banquet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bartlett. Miss Janie Mullen is having much success singing "I Am Going Away." The entire company is making good and sends regards to all friends.

Paris to Place Ban on Big Hats

To remedy the "big hat" nuisance in Paris theaters the Theater Committee of the Municipal Council has decided to recommend drastic action. The committee proposed that every spectator shall have the right to request the police officer on duty in the theater to call for the removal of any hat which prevents an unobstructed view of the stage. If the wearer refuses to comply the officer may order her to leave the theater. This caution has long been in vogue in America, and in many cities the hat nuisance is regulated by city ordinance.

MAHARA MINSTRELS.

The W. A. Mahara Big Minstrels played to good houses at Elks Theater, Pine Bluff, Ark., Wednesday evening, April 8. The audience was in a complete uproar from the time of the rising of the curtain until the fall of same. The opening was a very lively one, full of melody. The conversation lines were taken up by graceful Bessie La Belle, the famous baritone. She also deserves credit for her solo. Tim Owsley brought down the house with his own creation, "I Ain't as Foolish as I Look to Be," taking five encores. Mr. Owsley also did a stunning monologue, which forced the audience to laugh. He certainly deserves credit for his composition of music.

Ed Stafford, the young Hoosier comedian, is doing splendid with "Spooney Sam." Bro. Gordon Collins is holding his part down splendidly with his "Shuffle Dancing." "Dimes Make Dollars" was handled by Miss Claudia Lacey in a good voice. Ed Wilson did good work as a soldier. Prof. R. G. Holley furnishes a splendid orchestra.

GEO. FLETCHER.

The Dandy Dixie Minstrels

Everything is lovely and the Dandies are the talk of the every town we play. People speak of the band as though it's the first real one they have heard in years. I can safely say that every member is a thorough musician. Most of them soloists, including our snare drummer, Manzie Campbell. Now the members of the band are: Tack Crossen, first trombone; Arthur L. Prince, second trombone; Tom Seldom, third trombone; Randolph Christian, Tuba; McQuity, euphonium; Rolland Meaux, first alto; Napolean Black, second alto; Fred Richardson, claironet; Lewis Jones, Piccolo; Walter Lee, cornet; Prof. C. R. Vidal, cornet; Manzie Campbell, side drummer; Lewis Thomas, symbols; Fred Bradshaw, bass drummer. Prof. C. R. Vidal has just received a new overture of which it takes twenty minutes to play and a number of new Marches from Joseph Morris and Whitmark. Ed Pete a member of the Dandy Dixie Minstrels is making a wonderful hit singing "I'm Crazy I Am." He wishes to be remembered to his friends, Tom Briggs, Henry Jennings, Jean Leagans, Miss Jannie Mulens, and Fisher and Fisher.

DOWNIE'S UNCLE TOM'S CABIN.

All is still well with the trick, and we are filling all of Al Martin's and Stetson's time well. That's bad, I guess. Well, we played day and date with Miller Bros.' "101 Ranch," Saturday, the 18th, at Wichita, Kans., to s. r. o. only. How's that for a Tom show? Miss Emma "Prinny" Russell is still our "Topsy." Vernon Skinner is holding his own as "Tom." The Tolivers, the Goins and the "Merry" Howards are still pleasing them with the musical numbers. They all know when our twelve-piece band hits the streets at noon. Gus "Possum" Goins, our colored juggler, wants "Pewee" Williams and others to know that he has just finished his latest stunt, which is juggling a knife, an egg and two glasses, climaxing by catching the knife in his teeth, a glass in each hand, throwing the "egg" up, splitting it on the knife, catching the "yolk" in one and the "white" in the other. Well, now, what do you think "o'" that. The colored members of the company were highly entertained while in Lawrence, Kans., at the home of Mrs. Ike Miller, an old college chum of Miss Emma Russell. Ed Howard sends his best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel P. Gardner and all members of the Lincoln Theater. John T. Jackson, of Anderson, Ind., is looking after the orchestra with us, and he has it to the standard.

PHILADELPHIA STAGE NOTES.

We had the pleasure of witnessing the opening performance of Gideon's "Hottest Coon in Dixie" Company, at the Standard Theater, and to our surprise met many old friends. Well, the show is away above its usual standing, and that the people of Philadelphia took to it goes without saying. The show is, of course, along the musical comedy line, showing Reed, the short comedian, to great advantage. The Cubanola Trio, a novelty act, introducing Japanese, Indian and Coon characters, is worthy of special mention. Rowland the Tramp Juggler makes good, and Miss Margaret Scott, the Bronze Tetrazina, takes encore after encore. The Washburn trio of singers and dancers certainly get theirs. Billy Nichols is still here. Robert Russell is stage manager, and Miss Marie Lucas is musical directress, and bears the honor of being a distinctive feature in her line. On the whole, the show is good.

Millican's rehearsals are now well under way, and on the 2nd of May sixty-five persons will start for Manchester to show the Big Tower Theater, and thence to Liverpool.

Regards to the profession.

M. W. WALKER.

Summer Stock Plans

The season of summer stock will be inaugurated at the Park Theatre Monday, May 4, by the old favorite of past seasons—the Holden Stock Company, under the special direction of Mr. Cecil Owen, who is probably one of the best known producers in the country. The play selected to open the season is David Belasco's production, "The Girl of the Golden West." This play has never been seen outside of New York and is considered to be the best of its kind ever produced.

While the royalties on the piece are heavy, the management is determined to give its patrons the best that money can procure. The presentation of plays by the Holden company will be upon a large scale, and each production will be elaborately staged and provided with special scenic environment.

Being presented for the first time at popular prices, the plays selected by the Holden management will undoubtedly meet the approval of the most critical persons. The attraction for the week following the opening will be a revival of E. H. Sothern's success, "The Prisoner of Zenda." The principal parts of both productions will be in the hands of Miss Marie Curtis, the leading lady, and Mr. Owen, the leading man. The roster of the stock company is meritorious and the cast includes players who have achieved distinction in the profession.

Exchange Theatre, Jacksonville, Fla.

The Exchange Theatre is doing fine. We have S. R. O. houses every night. We also have tremendous crowds at Lincoln Park on Sundays. We have with us now Jakie Smith, the little fellow with the big voice. He is a card at doing straights and singing illustrated songs. He's also assisting church clubs by rendering solos in concerts. Regards to J. Ed Green, J. Louis Johnson, Mr. J. A. Watts of Glaziers Jubilee Concert Co., also Alabama Quartett.

Miss Vergie Deo is still taking 3 to 4 encores singing "Star of My Life."

Miss Ada Harris is singing Alarno, and making big hits.

Miss Anita Borden is with us making good.

Richmond U. Cross (Poor Boy) the comedian is doing fine singing "I'm Happy Now."

Buddie Glen, the father of all comedians, is funny as ever and doing fine; regards to old friends.

Dan Robinson, our all round man, is taking 3 and 4 encores nightly with his Baton act.

Prof. J. M. Robinson and John C. Haywood is still making fine music.

Levozier Don Bradford, the scenic artist is doing well painting scenery for every theatre in the city, white and colored.

Regards to friends in Atlantic City. I will see you all in June.

Would like to hear from Miss Laconia or Maud Wright. Address 125 Bridge Street, Jacksonville, Fla.

We're playing this week "Marie Falston" a comedy drama in four acts, written and staged by L. D. Bradford. Beautiful scenery. We are now making great hits in drama land.

Stannard Baker on the "Shoo-Fly Regiment."

Ray Stannard Baker, who has gotten himself in the lime light owing to his "studies" on the color question, set forth from time to time in the American Magazine, recently dealt what he chooses to call the "Tragedy of the Mulatto;" he pauses long enough to make the following observation on the "Shoo-Fly Regiment," the well known production by Cole and Johnson:

"One evening last summer I attended a performance at Philadelphia of a Negro play called the "Shoo-Fly Regiment." It was written, both words and music, by two clever Mulattoes, Cole and Johnson; and is was wholly presented by Negroes. The audience was large, mostly composed of colored people, and the laughter was unstinted. The point that impressed me was this: The writers had chosen a distinct Negro subject. The play dealt with two questions of much interest among colored people; the matter of industrial education, and the Negro soldier. That, it seemed to me, was significant: it was an effort to appeal to the class consciousness of the Negro.

And yet as I sat and watched the play I could not help being impressed with the essential tragedy of the so-called Negro people. The players of the company were of eevry color from the black African type to the Mullato with fair hair and blue eyes. In spite of this valiant effort to emphasize certain racial interests, one who saw the play could not help asking; "What, after all, is this Negro race? What is the Negro spirit. It is in this black African or in this white American with the drop of dark blood?"

We have not thought a great deal of Mr. Baker's articles because of the unreliability of asertions, the "yellowism". But what he says at times is valuable; informing, when accurate. It is not accurate to insist that Messrs. Cole and Johnson are Mulattoes; neither of these can be thus properly classified.

The questions finally asked are deeply significant, and which will in time be studied out by the Negroes themselves, who best know the Negro.

J. E. ADAMS VAUDEVILLE CO.

We are making much mirth for the show-goers of the Pacific coast. The show numbers fifteen in all, and each member entertains alone, and when they render their part of the program the applause is so great that it almost deafens a person. Mr. Rowe is very proud of his minstrels, and boasts of the display of talent. The band, under the leadership of Mr. Albert Hutt, is wonderful. The musicians of the coast bring marches, etc., to Mr. Hutt while his concert is going on, to have his band play them. Each member takes his part and renders it with wonderful skill. The band is applauded to the utmost while passing on parade, and the news goes in front of the show, "Watch for the colored band." The orchestra, under the young leader, Jas. Harris, is far superior to any met with on this coast. Mr. Harris seems to play his violin with a magic bow, or by some supernatural power.

To be sure, Arthur White and old Bill Bostwick are with that good bunch. They are the strong end men, and with that good band, too.

While in Reno, Nev., the entire company was entertained by Mr. Bolden and wife. Wine is still flowing; the reception is long to be remembered by the J. E. Adams Vaudeville Company. A like reception was extended to the company by Jas. Chase, the heavyweight prize fighter, of Vallejo, Cal.

Hermon Hoy, the high cornet player, sends regards to Bert Evans. Old Frederick, the versatile musician, is also with the bunch, and would like to hear from John Eason, as he is now holding the position for tuba. Thomas "Pap" Adams sends regards to P. G. Lowery, Jas. Wolfscales and all friends. Irving Brown sends regards to Grant Cooper and all friends. Mrs. Callie Vassar sends regards to all friends. Mrs. Izetta Hutt and Mrs. Lucy White are stars in the concert of the big top. Arthur White and Bill Bostwick send regards to Lash Gideon, Skinner Harris, Geo. Bryant and Sidney Carter.

South Sea Island Joe and his wife Beno, the old-time circus people, are with the show, and their lectures are great.

ROUTE.

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS—Week of April 26, Chicago, Ill.
RICHARDS AND PRINGLE'S MINSTRELS—Galesburg, Ill., April 27; Kewanee, 28; Ottawa, 29; Rockford, 30.
SMART SET COMPANY—Week of April 27, Boston, Mass.
FIDDLER AND SHELTON—Week of April 27, Bijou Theater, Bay City, Mich.
CONEY ISLAND MINSTRELS—April 27 to May 2, Lynchburg, Va.
HARRY A. BROWN AND HODGES—Week of April 27, Family Theater, York, Pa.
BLACK AND JONES—Proctor's Theater, Troy, N. Y.
COLE AND JOHNSON—Week of April 27, National Theater, Philadelphia, Pa.
DANDY DIXIE MINSTRELS—Scottdale, Pa., April 27; Washington, 28; Bellaire, O., 29; Steubenville, 30; Wellsville, O., May 1; East Liverpool, 2.
THE BRITTONS—Bridgeport, Conn., May 4 to 9.
NORRIS AND ROWE CIRCUS—Montague, Cal., April 26; Ashland, Ore., 27; Medford, 28; Grant's Pass, 29; Roseburg, 30; Cottage Grove, May 1; Eugene, 2.

THE FREEMAN POSTOFFICE

Genlemen's List.

NOTICE—We will be pleased to have all companies send us their route regularly and also performers to send name and permanent address, or if traveling, with what company, in order that all mail may be promptly forwarded.

Anderson, James.
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Bland, Leroy.
Bunch, Gordon.
Bland Leroy.
Burton, Earl.
Clark H. Qualli.
Carral, Wm. P.
Cameron, Oscar.
Ford, Morris P.
Holly, Rankford G.
Gant, Robert H.
Hampton, H.
Harris, Jas. H.
Johnson, William.
Johnson, Roy.
J. C. Freemont.
Jones, Simon.
Kersands, Billy.
Lacy, James.
Levard, Wm. A.
McImtly, M.
McCabe, Wm.
Norton, J. B.
Perry and Crosby.
Priggsley, Harper.
Quinn, Andrew.
Rucker, John.
Robert Brown.
Santana, Charles.
The Jolly Prices.
The Hallbacks.
The Real Comedy 4.
Thompson. T. A.
Wood, T. B.
Williams, J. H.

Ladies' List.

Gibbons, Edith.
Dafoe, H.
White, Minnie B.
Jones, Gracie.

Bayon Claire, La.

Philip Barret was bitten by a mad dog April 9th. Last January three children of Samuel Weekly were bitten by the same dog. One of the children died showing all symptoms of hydrophobia. Last week Mr. Weekly took the remaining two children and Philip Barrett to New Orleans to have the mad stone applied. It is feared that Mrs. Weekly is also affected, as she had been scratched by one of the children. The dog has been killed by Mr. Glayze, a white man.

CORAOPOLIS, PA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

At the New Hope Baptist Church, Easter Sunday, Rev. Sanders preached at 11 a. m. to a large audience. At 7:30 p. m. the Sunday School rendered a fine program, under the direction of the superintendent, Mrs. Brown....Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dailey left here Sunday for Washington, D. C., to visit his mother, who is very sick. They will remain indefinitely.... Mr. Samuel Landon, of Evansville, Ind., left here Sunday to attend the funeral of his mother.

OLEAN, N. Y.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Easter exercises of the A. M. E. Church Sunday School were well rendered....The trustees of the A. M. E. Church gave a concert on the 23d, which was a success....Master Floyd Snowden has returned from Belfast....Evelyn Parrick, of Darnell, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clemons....George Wright is ill and his wife has returned from Rochester....Rev. W. E. C. Gumbs, of Buffalo, who held the quarterly meeting, has returned home.... William Dolmon has returned from Hornell....Elmer Denning, of Angelica, is visiting here....Miss Carrie Branch was here last week, en route to Rochester.... The Masonic Lodge gave a reception last week and installed the new officers. Mr. Frank Peterson, of Andover, was here.

PADUCAH, KY.

The Masons of this city will hold memorial services at Washington Street Baptist Church, Sunday afternoon, April 26, in memory of their deceased Grand Master, Bro. Charles Steele. All Masons from other towns are invited to be present. Rev. Smith and Rev. Bell will officiate.... The two chapters of the O. E. S. had their annual thanksgiving sermon at the Harrison Street Baptist Church, last Sunday, at 3 p. m. The house was crowded and a beautiful program was rendered by the Star members. The choir gave excellent music for the occasion. Rev. Bell, of Husband Street C. M. E. Church, delivered the sermon, with prayer by Rev. S. N. Smith....Mrs. Hester Robey has announced the marriage of her daughter Frankie to Mr. E. Maple, April 26, at the bride's residence....G. W. Berry, of Memphis, Tenn., the headwaiter of Gayosa Hotel, is visiting his father—Mr. and Mrs. Ross, of Milwaukee, are in the city. Mr. Ross is in bad health, and Mrs. Ross will return to Milwaukee April 21....Mr. Harry Brown, of New York, is visiting his sister, Mrs. W. D. Lucas.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Mrs. Louise Hudson, one of the oldest members of the Fifth Ward Baptist Church, died on the 11th inst., and was buried on the 13th. "Aunt Lou," as she was called, was one of Clarksville's true types of loyal Christian citizens, and had been for 35 years. She leaves five children—one daughter and four sons—and a host of friends....The Knights Templars' annual sermon was the leading event of Easter Sunday here. The Royal Arch Chapter and the Master Masons, also the Eastern Stars, participated in the same occasion, and presented the grandest parade ever witnessed on any such previous occasion. The sermon was delivered by Rev. D. T. Irvin, at St. Peter's A. M. E. Church, which was crowded from rostrum to doors....Alex Stewart's two little boys were playing "Night Riders" with one of his neighbors. A shotgun in the hands of the younger one, five years old, was discharged and killed his older brother, fourteen years old, on the 16th....The following marriages have taken place: Miss Beatrice West to Mr. Coy Cross, on the 12th, and Miss Belle Thomas to Mr. Walter Belle.

PARIS, ILL.

The Easter exercises were the best for quite a while. The church was one beautiful boquet of flowers. At the evening service there were some beautiful choruses and several solos rendered by some of the best talent. At the close of the exercises the Sunday school presented to the church the sum of $71 in cash and a check for $31, out of the Sunday school reserve fund, for the improvement of the church....The young ladies gave an egg hunt at the park, and Mr. Vernie Stull holds the record for finding eggs. Miss Mayme Robinson was presented with a handsome box of flowers after singing one of her beautiful solos....Blind Harris gave an entertainment here last Friday evening....Pride of Paris Lodge has ordered new uniforms for the Rank. They will go to Champaign, Ill., the first Sunday in May, to participate in the annual sermon....Miss Jerry Wilson is able to be up, after undergoing an operation. She had the services of Miss Maud Lamont, one of the best trained nurses in the State. Miss Lamont is the colored nurse who gave such valuable service at the Sandford disaster, and some of the passengers that were on the ill-fated train attribute their existence on this earth to Miss Lamont's efficient care.

MT. VERNON, IND.

Prof. Wm. Felton is down in Arkansas on business....Mrs. Eliza Murry, of St. Louis, is visiting Mr. H. J. Thompson and sister a few days this week....J. W. Daugherty, of Cairo, Ill., was in the city Saturday and Sunday, and preached at Missionary Church Sunday evening.... Misses Bettie Know and Esther Lee Thomas, of Princeton, spent Easter in the city with friends and relatives.... Sunday was red letter day at Bethel A. M. E. Church. Easter was observed throughout the day. The Juvenile Choir and Sunday school, under the management of Miss Minnie Bishop, rendered a nice program in the afternoon, and the Adult Choir, under the management of Mrs. Mary F. Thompson, rendered one of the best programs ever rendered in Bethel, at night. The papers of Mrs. A. T. White, on "Fashion," Mrs. Cora Bishop, on "Origin of Easter," and Mrs. Minnie Johnston, on "Origin of Easter," were excellent and well worth the hearing. There was scarcely standing room. The Missionary Baptist Church also celebrated Easter and rendered a nice program, under the management of Mrs. Roger Willis....All persons desiring items in this paper will hand them in to H. J. Thompson not later than Monday noon....The Free Baptists have called Mr. Alfred Dunagan to the pastorate of their church....Prof. Geo. Tompkins' school has closed and he has moved his family to town.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Samuel Carter, who was porter in the Midland barber shop for a number of years, died at the hospital last Friday evening, after an operation. He was 31 years of age, and leaves a widow, a boy three years old and a girl past one year. His body was shipped to his home in Emporia, Kans., Monday evening. The boys of the hotel gave some lovely flowers.... Sunday was a nice and warm day in Kansas City, and Easter was enjoyed and observed by all. The churches all had Easter services and large crowds were in attendance....The first game of the season was played by the Monarchs (colored) and the Brinkleys (white). It was a good game. The score was 3 to 1 in favor of the Monarchs. Our boys have a good team this year....Easter was Knights Templar day. Services were held at Allen Chapel under the auspices of Far West Commandery, assisted by Emanuel Commandery. The line left the asylum promptly at 2:30 o'clock p. m., headed by a Kansas City, Kans., band, and under the command of Captain General Thomas Eaton. It was a lovely day, and the sun beamed with radiant beauty upon seventy-five plumed Knights, who arrived at the chapel at 3 o'clock. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers. After the special service, Bishop Grant was introduced by Rev. Peck. The Bishop, not having been in the best of health of late, stated that he would not preach, but would make a few remarks. His words were to the point and very instructive to all who attended.

TERRE HAUTE, IND.

There was a grand folklore concert given by the teachers and pupils of Lincoln school Thursday night. It was one of the best concerts of its kind that has ever been given in this city. There was a large crowd present, and they enjoyed the songs of our forefathers. Joseph Jackson, principal of the school, is doing everything that can be done to beautify this school, and by his work and the pupils' the school took second prize last year in beauty of lawns and play grounds.... Spruce Street A. M. E. Sewing Circle met at the residence of Mrs. Irene Jackson, on Twenty-second and Tippecanoe streets, last Thursday. The members were served with a fine lunch. The meeting this week will be at Mrs. William Taffoon's, on Nineteenth and Spruce streets. The ladies are working hard to beautiful the church and are becoming very successful....Mrs. Alex. Joplin, of 2202 Tippecanoe street, has been very ill, but is improving.... The Bible Club met at the residence of Mrs. Washington, on South Fourteenth street....Treble E. Club met at Mrs. Mary Jackson's residence, 1122 South Thirteenth street....The Spruce Street A. M. E. Church has been provided with opera chairs anad other improvements have been made....A birthday party was given in honor of Master Arthur Shears, by his parents, at their home on Spruce street. There were a good number present, who had an enjoyable time....The Free Baptist Sewing Circle met at Mrs. Booker's, on South Thirteenth and a half street.... The Freeman can be secured from Lloyd J. Churchill, 2219 Spruce street.

JACKSON, MISS.

Mrs. Mary Church Terrell was with us on the night of the 13th inst., at the Central M. E. Church. The exercises were opened with a song by the choir, "He Is Not Here." The Rev. Dr. J. M. Shumpert, D. D., pastor, appointed Dr. D. L. Redmond, M. D., as president of the meeting. Hon. L. K. Atwood was called upon to introduce the speaker of the occasion. He paid a glowing tribute to Mrs. Terrell. In his introductory remarks he spoke of her as one with a world-wide experience, a lady with a spotless public and private character. After finishing his introductory remarks, the speaker, Mrs. Terrell, mounted the rostrum. Taking for her subject "The Bright Side of a Dark Subject," she held the audience spell-bound for about one hour. About two hundred or more of Jackson's leading colored citizens were present to do honor to one of the foremost ladies of our race. Her argument was powerful; her words were forceful and full of food for thought. Her argument proved that she had a world-wide experience. After finishing her speech, the meeting was open for comment, and Prof. P. W. Howard, one of Jackson's leading young colored attorneys, made a most commendable speech, eulogizing the speaker. He said, in part, that we always had an abundance of speakers, but to have Mrs. Terrell was a rare treat, and that he could not express in words how deeply he was impressed on the occasion of having such a notable lady, with such rare gifts of intelligence, among us. After closing his remarks, the audience listened to a most excellent selection, a solo by Miss Anna Frazier, a charming young lady of West Jackson, also a fine selection by Miss W. Jackson....Miss Viola Cox is able to be out, after a recent illness....A grand reception was given to Mrs. Mary Church Terrell by the ladies of the Phillis Wheatley Club....Mrs. Jennie Campbell, while on her way to work a few mornings ago, in company with her husband, Mr. Joseph Campbell, was painfully injured. Her horse became frightened and ran away, dragging her some distance between the wheel and shaft, after which the buggy turned over and broke two of her ribs....Frank Cox was in the city a few days, attending the examination of pharmacists, which was held at the State Capitol.

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"Logan's Lie-Rics"—In Three Rounds.

I.

To an opera Hogan took Tom Logan,
In a shower of rain;
But they had to pay to get inside,
So they never went again.

II.

In minor parts don't be too good;
Don't try to go too far;
You'll separate from the pay-roll
If you outshine the star.

III.

Some of us may still be on,
But most of us are laggin'
Here and there, along the trail,
Behind the "water wagin'."

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Work well planned and well tempered never kills anybody.

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In convention ethics, it is the other fellow's delegation that is "irregular."

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Time, good conduct and faithful service are humanity's surest vindicators.

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It is high time the Negro Business Leagues everywhere were getting busy.

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An agitator is losing his grip when his greatest success lies in merely agitating himself.

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Bishop Derrick, true to his name, has done much for the "uplift" of his church in South Africa.

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Tillman begins to look real decent in comparison with his puerile imitators, Heflin, Jeff Davis, et al.

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In choosing a President on a single issue, his attitude on other important issues should not be overlooked.

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The "committee on credentials" at the Chicago convention will have some work on its hands, if present indications mean anything.

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The confirmation of Grant Victor as United States Marshal in Oklahoma is further proof that "to the victors belong the spoils."

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It is curious to note that all of the Congressmen who get into fistic and shooting scrapes at Washington happen to be Democrats.

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An employer never discharges the young man who is willing to give a little more of his time and talents than his contract calls for.

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Tariff revision is on the way, and the folks who promise it the speediest will have that much on those who plead for indefinite postponement.

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The man who takes time to explain the "whys and wherefores" that move him to action, wil have precious little time to get anything done that is worth while.

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Although race leadership is no "cinch," it is difficult to make some of the brethren believe that it is healthier or more profitable to go to work at a legitimate calling.

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Complaint is all right at the proper time, in the proper place and to the proper authorities; but idle, impotent and inopportune complaint is worse than useless.

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After taking note of the prices marked on the 57 varieties of "Merry Widow" hats, the girls should no longer wonder why young men hesitate t otie themselves up in the holy bonds of matrimony.

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A new and potent argument that might be advanced in the interest of the nomination of Secretary Taft is that it will take an experienced globe-trotter to beat Mr. Bryan getting over ground.

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Maybe the redoubtable Tom Heflin will find it cheaper in the long run and more conducive to his peace of mind to ride in an automobile instead of consorting with the common herd in a street car.

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A floating item says "Joe Gans is looking for a match." We should think the "old master" would find no difficulty in buying all the lucifers he needs, when they are selling at six boxes for a nickle.

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An encouraging report is heard from the bedside of invalid Ben Tillman. The doctors say he may return to the Senate next year, but he will never be the same man again. Any change will certainly be for the better.

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With less "fuss and feathers" and one-half the political experience, Vice-President Fairbanks seems to have made a better job of nailing down the Indiana delegation than "Uncle Joe" did with the Illinois bunch.

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In certain States and counties there are young men of supposed intelligence who will wait a whole year to get sixty days' employment on an assessor's roll. Evidently the public school has not yet fulfilled its mission.

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Wood pulp on the free list would be of incalculable benefit to publishers who are large consumers of white paper, but this desirable consummation is suffering the fate of the Brownsville soldiers—an overdose of politics.

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At this season of the year, candidates will be just a little "elary" of the fellow who comes around with a bland argument to convince you that he carries the Negro vote in his vest pocket and can deliver it at your door—with a small deposit in advance to bind the bargain.

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Joe Gans is still "fit," as evidenced by the easy job of polishing off the English champion Robson in Philadelphia the other night. Joe doesn't whine about being a member of a "down-trodden race." He just says, "Boys, put all your dollars on me; I am going to win"—and he wins.

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The casual observer cannot help noticing that the proposition to send the Rev. Jay Albert Johnson to Africa is favored almost unanimously by the brethren of the A. M. E. Church. Why this eagerness to get rid of the eminent and erudite Baltimore-Philadelphia son of Great Britain?

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Administration employees, whether national, state or county, who wish to hold their jobs, should acquaint themselves with one of Paul's significant sayings, touching the futility of "kicking against the pricks." Patronage is not usually handed out to fatten fellows who fight the dispensers thereof.

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The spectacle of Miss Ethel Roosevelt teaching a class of children in a Negro Sunday school at Washington ought to awaken to their neglected duty hundreds of colored young women of education and leisure who refuse to give an hour's time in a year to the religious instruction of their own blood and kindred.

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The superstitious colored "aunty" who says that Tillman's nervous breakdown is "a judgment sent by the Lord for his meanness to Negroes," may be forgiven, even if her conclusions fail to square with the scientific aspect of the case. Providence surely does "work in a mysterious way His wonders to perform."

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The Methodist churchman who names Bishop Derrick for the South African work and ex-Minister Heard for West Africa evinces a wisdom that ought to appeal to the Norfolk conference next month. Why try green men when experienced hands, tested souls and demonstrated ability can be had for the asking?

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President Roosevelt has taken pains to investigate the charge that distinguishing marks are placed on the examination papers of colored applicants who appear before the Civil Service Commission. The commission denies that any such practice is indulged in, and declares that the examinations are strictly "on the level." 'Tis well!

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It is understood that Congressman Heflin who brutally assaulted and shot an unarmed Negro in a Washington street car, denies that he was under the influence of liquor at the time. It is a pity to doubt the claims of a mild-mannered gentleman, who goes to address a temperance meeting with a six-shooter in his pocket, indulges in a double-barrelled gun play, and who is finally compelled to utilize two whisky sellers as his only available bondsmen.

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If Congress donates the Negro Building at Jamestown to the illustrious Col. Giles B. Jackson, what will he do with it? How will he manage to "tote" it to Richmond?

In making the next President, it will be well to keep in mind the fact that he will have the naming of the justices who will constitute a party majority on the Supreme Bench.

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In cheerfully agreeing to "take on" Jack Johnson, Tommy Burns talks like a real man, and one who wishes to earn an untainted title to the heavyweight championship of the world. He is the only heavyweight champion who has ever been willing to give a black fighter a chance. All others have side-stepped and drawn the color line. Jim Jeffries should sit up and take notice.

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There are many indications that Dr. W. H. Chambers, of Indianapolis, will be chosen as one of the bishops of the Zion connection, whose mission will be to carry out the great program of Western expansion marked out by the fathers of the church. He has courage, piety, executive ability and the pioneer spirit—all essential qualities in pushing forward such a stupendous project as church-building on virgin soil.

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A nice, juicy federal plum for former Governor P. B. S. Pinchback would be in accord with "the eternal fitness of things." The old war-horse has rendered yeoman service for the Republican party from its infancy, and has been all too meagerly rewarded. It would be a just recognition of his matchless labors to allow him to round out his picturesque and wonderfully useful career in a trust commensurate with his dignity and high intellectual attainments. A snug berth on a commission to investigate educational and industrial conditions in the South would be a most congenial assignment. The silver-haired survivor of the "Old Guard" will be heard to advantage in the campaign this year, as usual.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

The Sante Fe Cafe, just opened at 1 Washington avenue, by Cross and Caruthers, is the only thing of its kind in the city for our people, and let us not forget that they deserve our patronage for having opened such a swell, up-to-date place. Special attention to the ladies...Two doors west of the cafe in the same magnificent new brick building Mrs. A. C. Taylor has the only first-class colored dressmaking establishment in town. She is being assisted by several first-class dressmakers...The Calvary Literary Club assisted by Rev. Westbrooks entertained at Edward's Cafe last Friday evening. As usual the debating was the main feature, ably handled by the club's young orators...Mrs. R. Walker is improving...W. T. Price of Alexander, La., has accepted a position with the No. 1 crew at the Savoy Restaurant...Get your Freeman every week and know the news.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Palm Sunday was celebrated by the Eastern Star Masonic Sisters of St. Mary's Chapter, the Warfield Lodge No. 44 and Providence Lodge and Royal Arch Chapter No. 15 Masons, associated and participated in celebrating, which made the occasion more elaborate than ever before. The orders marched to the Fifth Ward Baptist Church at 2:30 p. m., where the sermon was preached by Rev. T. J. Goodall Jr., his text being the second chapter of Matthew which was illustrated to the highest by the able young minister. The object of this occasion was to raise money for the Masonic widows' and orphans' home at Nashville. The collection was $18.03...On April 8 Miss Crist, a devoted Christian young lady, died. Her funeral was held at St. Peter's A. M. E. Church and conducted by Rev. Gardner, pastor in charge, who preached a touching sermon. The choir sang Miss Crist's favorite song, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," "I Stood Outside of the Gate." Mrs. Wells sang the solo, "Death Is Only a Dream." Miss Crist's schoolmates sang one of her favorite school songs, "In My Heart." The pallbearers were Miss Crist's classmates, Misses Luladie Redman, Bessie Whitfield, Ruby Rainey, Leaner Carney, Laura Krage and Burtie Grant. Miss Crist was only 16 years of age and loved by all who knew her...Willis Crusman, who has been sick for some time, is improving...Pat Thomas, who was very ill from an operation, is improving...Peter Postell of Hopkinsville was in the city on business on the 9th...Peter Barker, who was in the city, has returned to Louisville.

BUTLER, MO.

The Ladies' Court at their regular meeting this week elected the following officers: Mrs. G. K. Ford, M. A. M.; Mrs. A. N. Wright, Vice M.; Mrs. C. M. Booze, Secretary; Mrs. D. J. Crouch, Treasurer; Mrs. S. W. Crouch, I. G. K.; Mrs. Sarah Crouch, O. G. K.; A. N. Wright, Joshua; Court Directors, W. W. Kenoly, C. M. Booze, J. T. Crouch. The seventeenth annual sermon of the Court was preached at the M. E. Church Sunday by Rev. H. Green of Pleasant Hill, Mo...W. L. Horne of Nevada was up Sunday making arrangements for the show that he and J. W. Crouch and S. F. Ford are to start out the first of May...J. W. Crouch, one of Butler's young business men, in connection with his regular business is the stage manager for the Butler Opera House, and bill poster...Mrs. Minerva Steward is very sick...The A. F. of A. M. gave a smoker at their hall Monday night. ...The Blind Boone Concert Company, under the management of John Lange, was here Tuesday night and played to a crowded house. It has been several seasons since Boone has played here, but he still retains his old admirers and seemed to make many more. They were entertained at the residence of J. W. Crouch... C. M. Booze, the head waiter at the Hotel Pennell, is still on the hunt for waiters...The band under the leadership of Prof. W. W. Kenoly is doing excellent work...A surprise was given Mrs. A. N. Wright Friday night, it being her birthday. She received several valuable presents.

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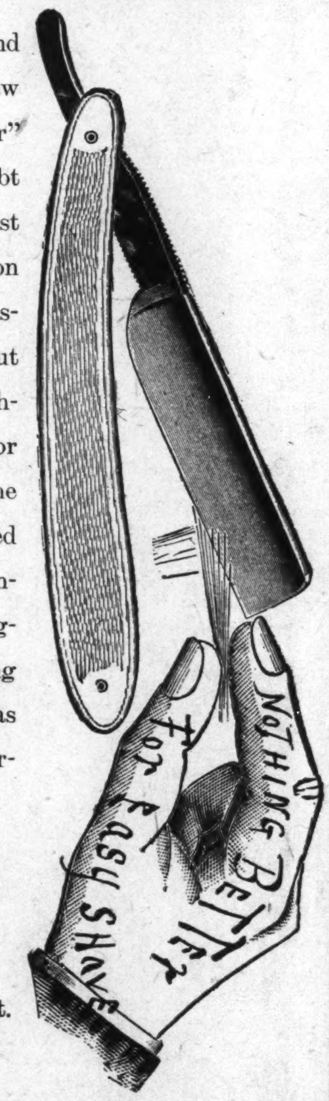

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For County Commissioner, 2d District,
John R. Allen,
Subject to the Decision of the Republican Primary Election

For Representative from Marion County
Lewis Shank,
Subject to the Decision of the Republican Primary.

—VOTE FOR—
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FOR ASSESSOR.
Republican Primaries.

For Representative from Marion County
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For Judge Superior Court, Room 5,
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—VOTE FOR—
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Subject to Democratic Primaries, Friday May 15th.

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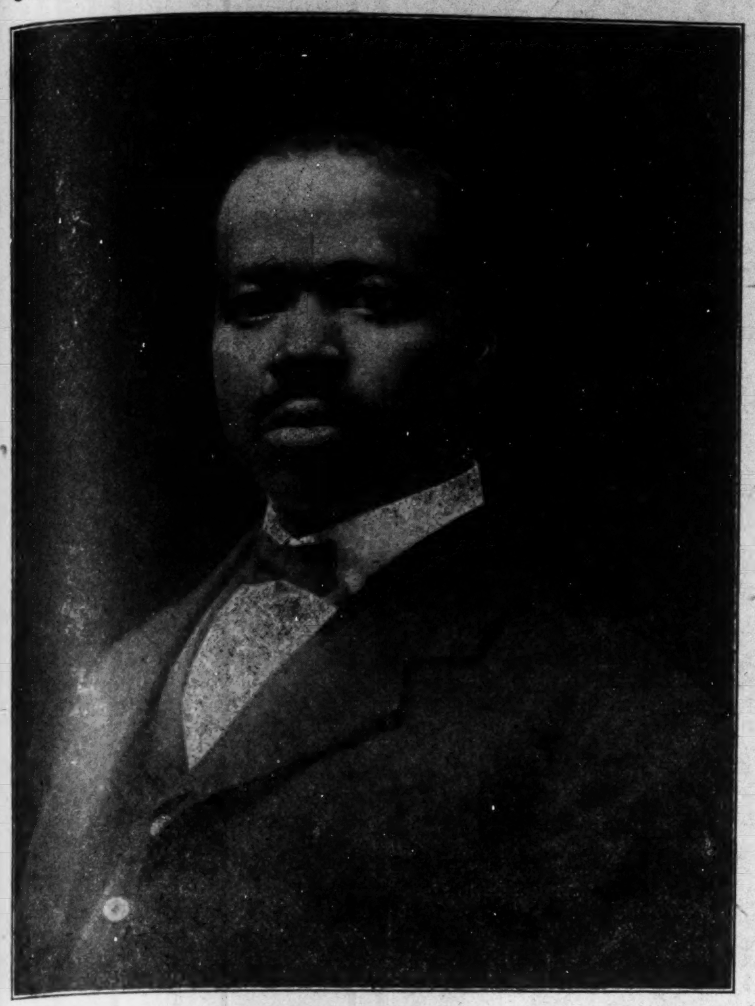

MR. D. A. HART,

Nashville, Tenn., Supt. of St. John A. M. E. Sunday School, General Foreman National Baptist Publishing House and Manager Globe Publishing Co.

This is an age of practical affairs in which specialists predominate, and the "jack of all trades" and the "gin hand" are, by their utter desuetude and incapability, rapidly taking their places with the days of antiquity. All accomplishment and progress is divided into specialties. The lawyer, the doctor and the teacher are not the all-encompassing generalizers they were a decade ago. If a client wants constitutional aw, he hies himself to a constitutional awyer; if he wants divorce, criminal or custom-house law, he seeks a specialist to answer his desires. And so on, with the signs of the times, every phase of progressive activity is separated into its division or sub-division, the addenda and knowledge of which furnish food for a lifetime's study. Men do not carry broken watches to blacksmiths nowadays, just because the smithy is "handy with tools," neither do men with chilblains go to an eye doctor for treatment.

It cost the writer several hundred dollars upon two distinct occasions to acquire the valuable information that he was not a great journalist, destined to electrify the great reading world with pen-drippings from his surpassing genius served up in weekly issues of cold type. In the second venture this rare information was so acutely emphasized that he decided to stick to his last ever in the future and to do the Master's bidding in the way he long had sought.

The natural classification of the affairs and endeavors of men has made the general scheme of their progress more satisfactory and efficacious to their needs; has augmented the fund of information along all lines and furnished a field for the employment of more professional men. A man falls into his line as a matter of sequence, and his success is only limited by the degree of his knowledge and ability. System is the result of this logical classification, and no division of human endeavor has failed to come under the salutary influence of its ban.

The brave old African Methodist Episcopal Church, under whose benign shadow I have labored as a minister for nearly two-score years, is among the first religious organizations to follow this new departure of applying specialists to its various departments. It has developed to be the policy of this church to employ men only in lines they fully understand. In its deliberations the popularity of the aspirant counts for naught without fitness, and usually it has a wide range of excellent material from which to select its officers. For the administration of its financial affairs the great organization has always been careful to select men who by experience and study are aptly qualified to handle its intricate and varying problems of finance. For missionary and church extension the church has for years picked men who have a personal adaptation for conquests in foreign and strange fields—men who are able to involve a strategical scheme of conquest and successfully consummate it for the credit and honor of the connection.

The fact that the church has upon several occasions left the pulpit and gone into the pew for the purpose of securing the most available person for an office is a healthy sign which has been proved to be an eminently successful experiment, and has a far-reaching influence in the development of the organization. After all of the sacrifices and incessant labor of the minister, the self-denial and heart struggles, the layman is the foundation of the church. It is for him and with him that we are laboring. The attraction of his interest furnishes the key to our success with the church.

I feel that I am safe in saying that in the bosom of every Methodist minister there is cherished, without contention, a fond hope that some day his struggles will become less intense, his burdens lighter and that he will be called to a higher position in the church and receive a material reward for the battles he has fought and won in the name of the Master. Really the minister would not be human if he did not expect to ascend with his church. Then, why should not the faithful layman, the militant Christian, the man in the trenches, who holds up our hands in progressive work, who sighs as we sigh and struggles as we struggle, and fights as we fight in Christian battles, be extended the open door for Christian reward as well as the clergy?

The disposition expressed as the policy of the church has the effect to inspire the laity to renew their energy in the work and encourages their ambition to attain fitness and usefulness, all of which expands the scope of the organization's influence. In most cases the layman who is elevated to high position has such singular qualifications that the Connection reaps a rich reward from his abilities.

For instance, let us refer to the denominational printing and publishing, which with the growth of the church and the progress of the times demands, as a matter of necessity, that the trained hand of a specialist direct this important department.

The character and intelligence of the Connection is faithfully reflected by the quality of its literature. The ecclesiastical "gin hand" is almost criminally out of place here. The lines of friendly rivalry, not to say competition, are drawn so sharply between the various colored church denominations, that it behooves each church to thresh out the highways, byways and hedges and bring out the best men—men who are thoroughly conversant with the technique of printing and publishing. If such a man should happen to be a minister of the gospel, put him forward; but, as is more likely to be the case, if he is a layman, place him at the head of the department and make him succeed.

Printing is a delicate art, and publishing is a thing apart. This is where the law of specializing comes in. Many people, and thoughtful people at that, are inclined to run these two kindred avocations the one into the other. D. A. Hart is the only man I know who has done this successfully. In church affairs printing is the manufacture of church and Sunday-school literature, and publishing is the distribution of this matter and collecting the money for it.

Soon after I went to Nashville, Tenn., some years ago to take charge of St. John's Church I met D. A. Hart, who has since risen to the distinction of being the best qualified Negro printer and publisher in the country. I say that I met him, and that was a foregone conclusion. You just could not keep from meeting him. If you had an occasion to visit any printing office you were sure to stumble over young Hart. He veritably haunted such places. With me he came to be a sort of synonym for printing. If I smelled printer's ink, I would unconsciously look around for "Dock." In those days the lives of colored printing establishments were precarious indeed. They would spring up like dandelions, blossom and pass out. Every time one would go down "Dock" would go down with it. He was a sort of Casabianca, being the last to leave the burning deck. But as soon as another printing office and journalistic effort would bob up, there would be "Dock," smiling serenely and satisfied, standing by her side. His "devilship" was served in various places, but he was growing all of the time, growing in knowledge and true manhood. The boy so impressed me in those days that when I see him now a dignified business man, a successful publisher and a competent superintendent, in spite of myself, I think I get a whiff of printer's ink.

When the Sunday School Union burnt out at Nashville in 1895 Hart was employed there as foreman. He had striven hard to reach that point and was going steadily on to the front. This setback would have throttled the hopes of the average youth. The Sunday School Union was the only place that afforded him a chance to advance his knowledge, and it was decided at that time not to replace the printing machinery which was destroyed. But Hart was made of sterner stuff. He determined to keep eternally at his profession, and finally became a porter in the largest printing house in the South, at which position he remained for two years. On account of his being a colored man he was not allowed to use his hands in printing, but the most virulent case of colorphobia could not restrain him from using his eyes. He watched the progress of the art, and swept the floor, all of the time making mental notes and placing them aside for future reference.

Finally Dr. R. H. Boyd came to Nashville and started the National Baptist Publishing House, and with this event came Hart's opportunity. With the exception of a very short period since 1898, during which time he was connected with the Sunday School Union, he has been by the side of Dr. Boyd and has been the strongest attribute in the wonderful success of that institution.

At present he is superintendent and has under his immediate charge more than $150,000 worth of machinery and printing materials. He went to New York to learn the linotype and came back to Nashville and installed them in his institution. He buys in the Nashville market each year between $50,000 and $60,000 worth of plain white paper for the printing of the literature of the house with which he is connected. Under his charge are nearly two hundred men and women, every one of whom is colored, and the quality of the work turned out is second to none that is done in the country.

With all this he has reduced the cost of production in such a manner that he is permitted to go into open competition with the leading white printing establishments in the country, and they have learned to stir their stumps when they know that D. A. Hart is bidding against them on large contracts.

This young man is a specialist in his line and to return to the text, he has shown what wonderful possibilities are in store for the man who sticks to one thing and continues to study and practice what he learns. Mr. Hart was born in the A. M. E. Church, grew up under its influence, and now in the city of Nashville there is no more earnest, devoted and capable churchman than is this young specialist. He has studied the growth of commercial and lodge printing, aside from the church and Sunday-school division of the business. In fact, he has probably done more than any one to develop this sort of printing. He fully understands just where this busines is in the South, and knows how to get it. After getting it in hand he knows how to conduct its completion in a manner which brings profit to the house with which he is connected and satisfaction to the patron. This sort of business has grown to be a great consideration within the last few years and Mr. Hart has watched it grow with much satisfaction, all of the time using the power of his position to foster its growth.

I have always endeavored to be practical in my conclusions, and I am ever conscious and solicitous of the good of the church in which I have spent my life and labor, and it does seem to me, that since D. A. Hart, being available and a high-grade Methodist, it will be a great stroke of fine judgment if the General Conference of my church should elect this brilliant young man to the secretaryship of the Sunday School Union. That organization needs a specialist, and we happen to have the best equipped specialist that the race affords right in our own organization.

There is no viewpoint in which the matter appears but thta Mr. Hart stands out conspicuously as the one man for the place. With his magnificent record of constructive success behind him, with his inherent devotion to his church to spur him on, he would make the Sunday School Union what it should be, the model of intelligent Negro printing and publishing enterprise in the world.

If D. A. Hart should be elected, such of the old guard as the writer represents would return to our duties with a kindly thought that our own work among the young Methodists had been compensated; and the young people would be pervaded by a new ambition. It would be easier for us to teach the child to aspire because of a living example in our own church, wherein it could be shown that merit had been rewarded and our prophecies and precepts had been proven.

It matters not how the candidacy of D. A. Hart appears, whether in sentiment or practicability, he is the one man and the most available man for the position of secretary. He has spent nearly twenty years fitting himself for the place; he has lived a model active Christian life that he might have moral fitness; his ability and foresight would provide a panacea for all the ills that seem to beset one of our most important departments, and he should be elected.

WABBASEKA, ARK.

Program of the Wabbaseka Lyceum April 14. An unusually large crowd was present and after the general order of business was finished the following program was rendered to the delight of all present:

1. Song.
2. Prayer by the chaplain.
3. Opening address....Prof. J. T. Holly. Subject, "Our Success Depends Upon Our Work."
4. Recitation........Miss Fanny Graves.
5. Oration.............Mr. Fred Johnson.
6. Song by choir, No. 94, "Songs of the Sanctuary."
7. Declamation........Miss Joetta Long.
8. Oration, Make Home Happy"........ ....Mr. Jas. Green.
9. Recitation......Miss Sarah Woolfork.
10. Vocal solo...........Mr. S. V. Ivins.
11. Declamation.....Miss Daisy F. Long.
12. Song by the choir, No. 225.
13. Oration............Mr. R. S. Dobson. Subject, "Do Efforts Count?"
14. Trio by Misses Carrie Dacket, Bertha Dove and Mr. Felix Dacket.
15. Recitation.........Miss Bessie Jones.
16. Address..........Prof. G. J. Maxwell. Subject, "Heroism."
17. Quartet, Messrs. H. Y. Shepherd, Eddie Johnson, J. C. Kelpatrick, Miss Lizzie Long.
18. Recitation........Mrs. Annie Obrient.
19. Song by the choir.
20. Oration..............Mr. Jas. Goings. "The Good of Music."
21. Recitation.......Miss Laura Goodwin.
22. Vocal solo.....Miss Precious Hudgins.
23. Oration..............Mr. David Levey. "The Good of Public Schools."
24. Recitation.........Miss Arena Levey.
25. Address...........Dr. Z. M. Mazique. Subject, "This Life Is What You Make It."
27. Duet.........Mr. Arthur Dobson and Mrs. L. Delaney.
28. Essay..............Mrs. Mollie Lyles. "Be Honest."
29. Song by the choir, No. 220, "Singing for Joy."
30. Select Scripture reading............ ....Mrs. A. Shepherd.
31. Vocal solo.......Mr. Tommy Johnson.
32. Oration................N. Whitehead. "Obedience."
33. Vocal solo..........Rev. T. S. Bush.
34. Declamation....Miss Mary S. Dobson.
35. Vocal solo......Miss Izora J. Levery.
36. Essay.........Miss Carrie Bertram. "Duty of Wives."
37. Debate, "Resolved, That Women Should Not Farm." Affirmative: N. Pruit, Annie Obrient and A. B. Graves. Negative: W. R. Right, P. Hudgins, Sarah Woolfork.
38. Report of critics, etc.

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DAYTON, Ohio.—Special.—It was authoritatively announced today by Grand President Critchlow of the I-L-U Grand Lodge, whose home offices are located in this city, that this order had decide dto establish mercantile branches of the order for the purpose of supplying its members with all classes of merchandise, selling the crops of the crop-raising members at the highest market price and making loans to the members on their crops so that they will not be under obligations to the grasping money lenders any longer.

We propose to free the Negro farmer from the crop speculator who now cheats him out of at least one-half the value of his crops, said President Critchlow. We will transport his crops to seaboard for him in charge of our own special agents, and deliver back to him the full highest market price, less only the cost of getting the crop to market. We will take the Negro borrowing tenant out of the hands of the high percentage money lender, by letting him borrow from us at a nominal rate of interest, and thus, for the first time in his history, allow him to become entirely free from debt. We propose to open, first of all, an immense mercantile warehouse in Dayton, Ohio, and later establish branch houses in all cities of consequence in the South, where our members are located, for the purpose of selling goods to our members at wholesale cost price. We intend to stop this cheating and swindling of the poor colored people by the market speculators, land owners and money lenders. We will also force the merchant to charge our members a fair price or go out of business, for we shall undersell him from 10 to 30 cents on every dollar, and he can't sell his goods in competition with our low prices, unless he comes down to a fair price.

These benefits are to be only for members of the I-L-U Grand Lodge, though we shall extend the hand of welcome to all who wish to join with us and reap the benefits of this immense undertaking.

President Critchlow is intensely interested in his chosen work of uplift for the colored people, and he impresses one greatly with his intense earnestness and unceasing energy in achieving his objects.

This order occupies extensive offices in the I-L-U Building, this city, where thousands of letters are daily received from all parts of the country asking for information about this wonderful order, and every one is answered in full, for President Critchlow says that he personally sees that every one who asks receives complete information and instructions about joining this grand organization.

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The Ayres Bulletin

Tailored Hats

In this group of hats are styles strictly tailored and trimmed shapes suitable for street wear. The tailored hats are of the new coarse colored straw that blends so nicely with the new shades in tailored suits—it's a trimming in itself. These hats are rather small and have bows of the straw combined with quills and ribbon arranged in neat, jaunty effects. The styles are varied enough to permit choice of something to suit any face. Many are buying these hats for traveling.

The trimmed hats are medium sized shapes of straw and braid, white and colors. They're trimmed in ribbons, wings and flowers, some high on the left side, very stylish; others in simple girlish effects—the kind that are in good taste for either street or dress wear.....**$3, $4, $5, $6**

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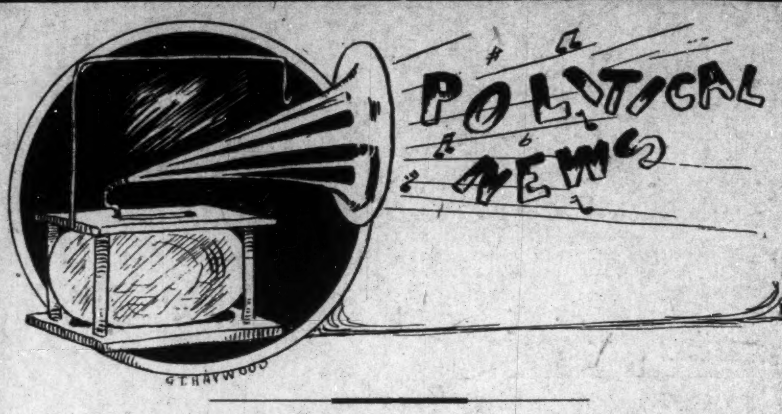

There's also a freshet of Democratic candidates for the various offices.

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Peter T. Traverse is campaigning to beat the band. He is leaving no stone unturned to secure the nomination for Township Trustee.

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John Rauch, the well-known cigar manufacturer, is a candidate for the nomination for County Commissioner on the Democratic ticket.

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Chas. L. Hutchinson, a well-known and highly respected citizen, has entered the race for the nomination for the Legislature on the Republican ticket.

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John F. Engelke is another representative citizen who expects favor at the hands of the Republicans at the primaries May 15. He is for the Legislature.

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James A. Norwood, clerk of Marion County Criminal Court, thinks of standing for County Commissioner. Rumor has it that John Mendenhall will not be a candidate.

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Ex-Judge Franklin McCray is standing for the nomination for the Legislature on the Republican ticket. Judge McCray, it is very well known, will be heard from in the running.

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Col. Russell B. Harrison, son of the late General Benjamin Harrison, former President of the United States, is a candidate for nomination for the Legislature on the Republican ticket.

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T. A. Daily is of good legislative record; he feels that his usefulness has increased from his experience. He asks to be sent back to that body at the hands of the Republicans of Marion County.

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Lew Shank is a candidate for the Legislature. Mr. Shank was formerly County Recorder, serving in a most satisfactory way. He will be remembered for his brilliant campaign for that office. His wit and "hoss" sense has made him familiar to the great mass of voters.

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John Weaver for Prosecutor is a young lawyer of ability. His record in the Legislature was on the right side; he submits it as an evidence of his faithfulness in event he is nominated and elected.

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Jesse W. Potter, of Washington Township, is the only candidate for the Legislature from a township outside of Center. If he is nominated his candidacy will offset that of a Democrat who hails from an outside township, and who likely will find a place on the Democratic ticket.

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Senator Linton A. Cox was the only regular speaker Saturday night at the smoker given by Republican candidates for county, judicial and legislative nomination to the precinct committeemen of the county. He talked about the new primary law. Short talks were made by several of the candidates, but the greater part of the evening was devoted to conversation and handshaking. In the absence from the city of John C. Ruckelshaus, county chairman, Fred B. Aiken, secretary of the committee, presided. The smoker was held at the Commercial Club.

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Colonel Harrison, candidate for the nomination for the Legisuature, is a graduate of Lafayette University, of Easton, Pa., and a member of the Indianapolis bar. He served in the Spanish war as provost marshal-general of the Seventh Army Corps, and later as inspector-general on the staffs of General Fitzhugh Lee, at Havana; General Leonard Wood, at Santiago, and General Davis, on the island of Porto Rico. Colonel Harrison spent fourteen years in Montana, and while he and Theodore Roosevelt were giving attention to their cattle interests they became friends. While in Montana he was a member of the vigilance committee that restored law and order in the State.

CITY AND SOCIETY.

Regular services at Allen Chapel tomorrow. Rev. Sampson, pastor.

Joe Baughman continues ill at his home in Bradshaw street.

Blind Harris, pianist and vocalist is the guest of Mrs. Nancy Walker.

Miss Dempsey, of New Castle is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. S. Bailey.

The Y. C. W. P. A. Vesper Service will be held tomorrow at 4 p. m. at True Reformer's Hall.

Dick Reed of Cincinnati, the well-known detective was in the city last Saturday on business.

The Progressive Club will meet with Mrs. Mary Bell McKay in Yandes street next Thursday afternoon.

Beryl Mabrey, of Bedford, Ind., is connected with the Quartermastsr's Department at Ft. Benjamin Harrison.

Miss Ada Allen. of Cincinnati was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lytle in West Tenth street, a few days this week.

"Ma Sweet" will be presented at Simpson Chapel Monday evening May 4, under the auspices of the Missionary Society.

James W. Napier and Lizzie Turner were married last week in the presence of a few friends. Rev. G. W. Oglesby officiated.

Charles Price and little daughter of South Bend are spending a few days in the city, with a view to permanent residence.

Rev. L. Stokes will occupy the pulpit at Simpson chapel tomorrow morning, and will give a description of the war of '61 and '65.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Hampton and Mrs. William Neal of Greenfield were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patridge last Sunday.

John Usher, of Atlanta, Ga., is in the city taking instructions on an automobile which has been purchased by his employer in that city.

Lewis Easton, Sr., of Cincinnati, a prominent Mason of that city died last week and was buried Monday. Mr. Easton is the father of Misses Kathyrn and Elizabeth Easton who visited in this city last summer.

The following trustees have been elected by Simpson Chapel for the ensuing conference year: George L. Knox chairman; Louis Brooks. treasurer; A. C. Bybee, secretary; George D. Wilkes, assistant; James Jackson,

The Knight Templars held services at Simpson Chapel Sunday evening which were well attended. Henry Rogan was master of ceremonies. Ernest Tidrington, Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias was present.

Howard Finley, the well-known hotel man was in the city Friday en route from French Lick, Ind., to Detroit, Mich. The "Big Fellow" remembered his old friend at The Freeman office by presenting him with a French Lick walking cane.

SUMNER LEAGUE MINSTRELS

The Sumner League will give their annual minstrel and promenade Monday night at Tomlinson Hall. The standard of their entertainments needs no explanation for the "Sumner League label" means the "veribest." The best available local talent has been secured and will prove no doubt their right as professionals. There will be special scenery, new songs, new, (not old) jokes, and the costumes will be elegant. Mrs. Pattie Dean Brown, an Indianapolis favorite, who has been identified with the most exclusive musical circles of Chicago for the past few years, will render some selections, which alone will be worth the admission price. Russell Smith's orchestra will furnish the music. The management of the affair is in the capable hands of George David.

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Of How Colored Waiters Were Retained at the Grand Hotel Cafe.

It is not generally known that the waiters at the Grand Hotel Cafe came dangerously near being white instead of colored at the opening.

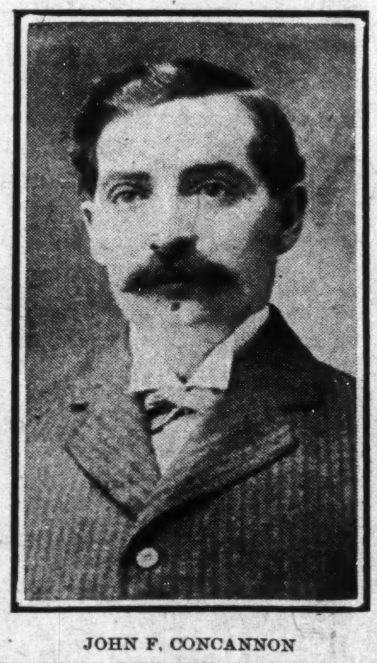
It came about in this way: There seems to have been a general request on the part of the patrons of the hotel that the force of waiters in the new annex should be white. These requests were all submitted to Mr. Wm. A. Holt, manager of the house. After weighing the situation carefully in all its phases the manager decided that the colored boys were the better of the two propositions and over the protests of his prospective customers fearlessly installed colored waiters. When interviewed, Mr. Holt said: "The proposition was put squarely up to me. I took the liberty to use my own judgment in my own affairs. I had worked colored men successfully in other parts of the house and knew them to be the safest cards to draw to. I had in mind the dismal failure of other houses who had attempted to use white waiters and besides all this I felt then, as I do now, that they could give the more satisfactory service and that the place rightfully belonged to them."

Mr. Holt is one of the few broad minded citizens that has a natural liking and preference for colored labor when and wherever he can use it. At present he is giving employment to more than thirty. The staff of bell boys are also colored. The colored men are a unit about the hotel in the furtherance of Mr. Holt's candidacy for sheriff and mean to be in the fight to the end. The interest thus aroused is attracting attention. The prevailing slogan seems to be: **"The right man for the right place."** After all gratitude is a God given virtue the expression of which always entails its just reward whether rendered unto Democrat or Republican. It is simply a matter of the survival of the fittest.

INDORSEMENT OF CONCANNON.

Many Prominent Men Wish Him to Get Nomination for Sheriff.

John F. Concannon, candidate for the Democratic nomination for sheriff, has a long list of endorsers, including some of the most prominent business and professional men in the city. Many of the indorsers, whose names appear in letters sent by the candidate to his friends, are men who take no active interest in politics, but who have always been desirous of getting strong, honest and clean men in public offices. Mr. Concannon is a resident of the Fifth Ward. He came to Indianapolis from Terre Haute eleven years ago and became a wholesale and retail jobber in beef, pork and provisions at 444 West Washington Street. "I am very desirous of securing the office of sheriff," says Mr. Concannon, in his letters, "and if successful will perform the duties to the very best of my ability."—Indianapolis News, March 30, 1908.



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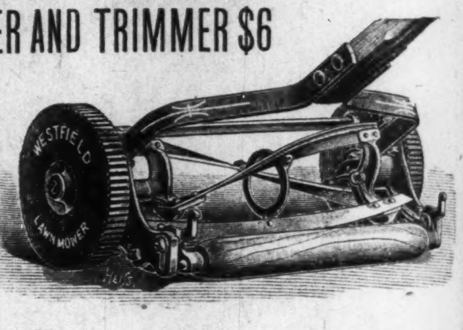

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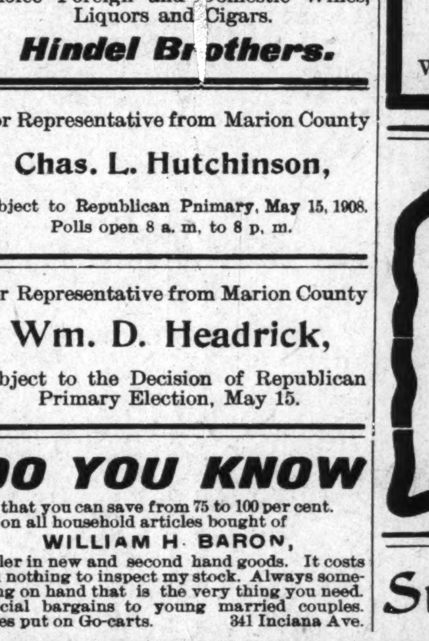

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